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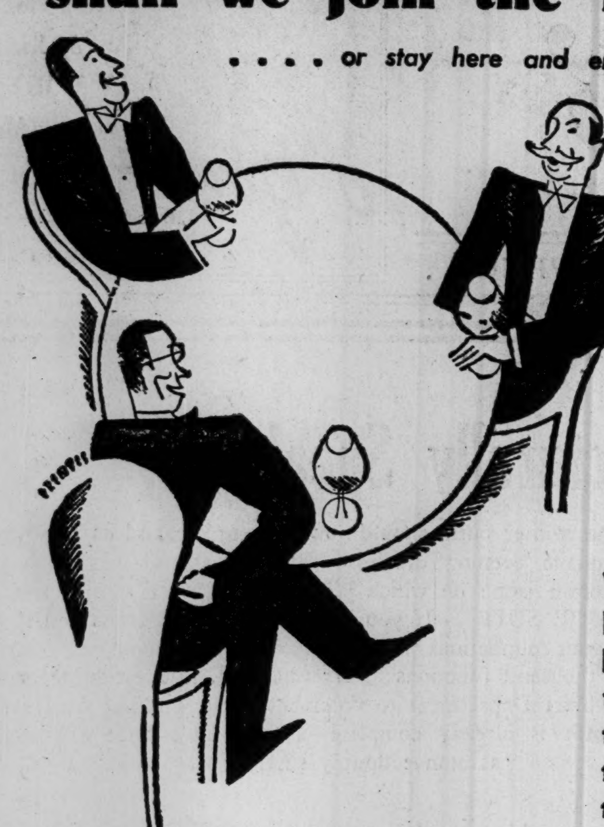

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SLACK MARKETS — FRENCH GOLD DRAIN — TOBACCO SHARES—RECOVERY IN MINES— OIL FEATURES.

(R. J. BARRETT, Financial Editor.)

Only two accounts remaining before Christmas, it is with little regret that Stock Exchange members and the public see the approaching end of a year that has produced so many disappointments. Taking markets as a whole, the most conspicuous feature is lack of business. Exceptionally gilt-edged stocks have quickly recovered from the temporary hesitation, due to the French gold withdrawals, and the dealers in these have no cause to complain of any lack of public patronage. A welcome recovery also has occurred in Australian Government stocks, largely due to the advice telephoned by Mr. Scullin from London, where it is possible to obtain a truer idea of Australia's external credit than in the Commonwealth itself. Provided the subscription of the £28,000,000 Internal Loan is as adequate as is hoped, the situation will have been saved for the time being. There remains Mr. Lang to reckon with, but without the consent of the Loan Council New South Wales cannot borrow independently.

Now that the issue has been joined over the wages question between the railway companies and the unions, dealers are simply awaiting the course of events. The threat of a long-drawn-out discussion is not pleasant to contemplate, but another railway strike under modern conditions of transport is unthinkable. Holders of Argentine Rails, who were disturbed by the appearance of rust in the wheat, will be glad to know that the general manager of the Buenos Ayres Western attaches no special importance to this annual visitation. A good demand is experienced for the recently created Debenture stocks, among which Central Argentine 5 per cent. Debentures at 88½ are still moderately valued.

An injudicious speech by the late American Ambassador to Germany completed the discomfiture of the market in German bonds, and it is certainly time that the holders of the International Loan who subscribed "on the full faith of the German nation" should be officially assured that there is no intention to repudiate any part of the Young Plan.

As feared, the Peruvian Corporation was only able to provide 3 per cent. on its Preference stock, which last year received the full 5 per cent. Internal conditions in Peru would in themselves provide sufficient explanation of the board's conservative policy.

FRENCH GOLD.

The steady drain of gold to France has somewhat upset the calculations of Lombard Street regarding the continuance of easy money conditions. Even if the Bank of France had not seen fit to draw up an important memorandum on the subject, well-informed circles in London would not have jumped to the conclusion formed in some quarters that there was some sinister purpose, political or otherwise, behind a movement now in progress for some months past.

French balances in London are estimated to amount to roughly £150,000,000, and their retention or withdrawal is a matter left to the discretion of their owners. There is good reason to believe that while some recent exports have been precipitated by French banking troubles of a minor nature and the natural desire of important institutions to have ample currency available for possible but highly improbable contingencies, the flow of gold across the Channel is an operation dictated by the adverse balance of trade between this country and France. A large amount of interest is due to French banks and other financial institutions who habitually employ surplus balances in the London market, and nothing is more natural than that they should take payment in the form of gold when the import of commodities is restricted by economic conditions in France.

Part of the gold movement, too, is due to the action of certain London financial houses which find such operations favourable in the present condition of the exchange and do not spurn to send gold to a centre where the resulting credit can be more lucratively employed. It is certainly quite a mistake to assume that the Bank of France is responsible. The very fact that that institution does not accept standard gold but insists on receiving only refined metal, thus placing obstacles in the way of a speedy specie movement, proves that it is not keen on increasing its gold stocks, which at £410,000,000 are already the second biggest of any gold standard country in the world, and are two and a half times as large as those of the Bank of England.

According to its own statement, the Bank of France does its best to retard gold imports by encouraging the export of capital to foreign countries, and with that object it has secured from the Government a reduction in the fiscal charges on issues on the French markets of foreign shares and bonds which, owing to the world-wide economic crisis, are momentarily unpopular.

Looking to its future the Bank of France foresees the time when industry will need increased credits, and when bank rates in London and New York will be higher than in Paris. When that happens French banks will be able to offer credit on cheaper terms than their foreign competitors. Meanwhile, reasons for expecting a decrease in the influx of gold into France are a considerably reduced wheat crop, the need of the country's industries for more primary products, stocks of which are abnormally low, and a decline in exports of manufactured goods owing to a steady rise on the French wholesale index price.

INDUSTRIAL POINTS.

To the many disappointing results of prominent industrial companies must now be added the Dennis Brothers dividend. Knowing how busy the workers of this pioneer maker of commercial motors have been during the past year the market had looked for the maintenance of the dividend, and its reduction from 350 per cent. to 283 1-3 per cent. came as a surprise. At 36s. 3d. the 1s. shares now yield 7¾ per cent., and form a desirable investment to lock away for better times.

The decline in Thornycroft profits and in those of the Coventry Chain Co. proved to be greater than had been anticipated from the dividend payments, and with the smaller dividend payment by Ransome and Marles Bearing Co. provided fresh evidence of the very difficult times that are being experienced by engineering undertakings.

Prominent industrial companies whose shares are abnormally depressed include the Sudan Plantations Syndicate and the Hudsons Bay Co. At the former company's meeting it was shown that a continuation of adverse circumstances unparalleled in nineteen years' experience had been responsible for the reduced profits and dividend, but that even if the price of cotton fails to recover, the increase in the area under cultivation should make amends.

International influences on the whole were less adverse. Philips Lamps were again pressed for sale from Amsterdam, but after dropping to 1¾ experienced a fair recovery. Some recessions occurred in the Swedish group, but Canadian-Americans, after a fresh slump, began to pull round. Nickels revived on the maintenance of the dividend and the advance in the price of electrolytic copper, but the quarterly statement, as expected, made a poor showing.

Imperial Chemicals lost part of their recent recovery, and Turner and Newall drooped, but rallied. As regards the latter there is additional reason to believe that the dividend will be maintained, and the shares are considered hopeful as a speculative investment at anything under 3. Crittalls weakened afresh in front of the dividend declaration. Shares of the Allied Stores group of companies were only very slightly affected by the breakdown of the merger negotiations.

TOBACCO SHARES.

Last Sunday reference was made to the favourable position of the brewing industry, one of the very few branches of trade which have not been adversely influenced by general depression. Another business which appears to flourish in spite of the reduced spending powers of the public is that of tobacco manufacture. The almost spectacular success of the big tobacco combines is due partly to highly efficient organisation, and perhaps in a still greater measure to the extension of the smoking habit among all classes of the population of both sexes at home and abroad.

Recent developments have been of considerable interest. There is talk of a tobacco "war," but all that has happened is an intensification of competition, already very acute. The fact that the Imperial combine and its associates should have made a long-deferred protest against the coupon system may suggest that its rivals are gaining ground at its expense. But there is no evidence of any diminution in the demand for its popular brands, while it is generally known that some of its minor competitors have found so expensive the practice of giving away presents with their products that their profit margin has been seriously reduced.

The best companies from the investors' standpoint are still those with huge turnovers like the Imperial and allied undertakings, and their profits and dividends will probably show improvement when those of some of their rivals are on the down-grade. The excellent results just announced by Tobacco Securities Trust, a subsidiary of the British American Company, are a striking indication of the continued prosperity of an organisation which in good times and bad has earned handsome dividends for its shareholders, and will almost certainly continue to do so.

INVESTMENT HINTS.

A. Boake, Roberts and Co. 5 per cent. Preference at 15s 6d. yield £6 9s. per cent. This is an East London business of manufacturing chemists, and the company was formed in 1897. In 1920 the Ordinary capital was doubled by a share bonus distribution, but this did not prevent good dividends in subsequent years. For the year ended March 31 last the net profit, after providing for income-tax and all other charges, was £28,995, so that the Preference dividend, calling for £5,000, was covered more than five times.

At 93 Skoda Works 6 per cent. Debentures, which were issued in July at 95, can now be bought to yield practically 6½ per cent., or, including redemption in 1955, over 6⅝ per cent. The prospectus showed that these Debentures were well covered both as regards principal and interest, and it is understood that the orders in hand at the present time ensure the maintenance of profits for the next two years.

Thames Grit and Aggregates have been previously recommended, and at 16s. 4½d. the 10s. shares are still considered a good speculative investment. This price includes the interim dividend of 5 per cent., which is at the same rate as a year ago. For the full year the dividend was 15 per cent., and this rate seems likely to be at least maintained.

Slough Estates is a well-managed company with a good record. Profits are growing steadily, and the shares have speculative possibilities. At the present price of 31s. the yield on the basis of the 10 per cent. dividend, which has been paid for each of the last five years, is almost 6½ per cent.

RECOVERY IN MINES.

In the early part of the week South Africans were further depressed by the financial difficulties in Paris, while Northern Rhodesians suffered from forced liquidation; base metal descriptions scarcely moved. Then a series of favourable factors developed, the more important being the sharp advances in Base Metals. The progress made at the conference of copper producers in New York was evidenced by the raising of the price of electrolytic from 9.80 to 10.80 cents per lb. At £53 10s. the London quotation is £8 higher on the period. Largely in sympathy, tin, lead, and zinc have also appreciated. These movements found reflection in the shares of producing companies and of prospective producers in Northern Rhodesia.

South Africans were helped by the measures taken to deal with the financial difficulties above referred to and by the Gold Fields dividend. The rate to be paid is 1s. 6d. per share—only half the amount disbursed in respect of each of the three preceding years; but the maximum expected in market circles had been 1s. Following the announcement the shares spurted to 1 3-16 bid, largely on "bear" closing. The gain was not fully held. After all, the yield represented is a very modest one. Moreover, conditions in Paris cannot be regarded as settled until the end-November settlement is out of the way. Diamond shares improved on the conclusion of the new marketing agreement.

In the annual report of the Roan Antelope the ore reserves are estimated at 108,000,000 tons, averaging 3.44 per cent. copper. On June 30 the cash in hand exceeded £1,000,000, and an almost corresponding amount remained to be received in respect of the Debenture issue.

PAST WEEK'S MARKET FEATURES

	Nov. 7.	Nov. 14.	+ Rise or — Fall.
GILT-EDGED.			
War Loan 5%	102 7/16	102⅝	+ 3/16
Conversion 3½%	81¾	82⅛	+ ⅜
Do. 5%	105⅜	105⅞	+ ½
Consolidated 4%	92⅝	92⅞	+ ¼
Do. 2½%	58½	58¾	+ ¼
Funding 4%	94 13/16	95⅛	+ 5/16
Australia 5% '45-'75	76½	86	+ 9½
FOREIGN.			
Brazil 6½%	78	76½	— 1½
German 5½%	79¼	76	— 3¼
Mexican 5%	19½	15½	— 4
Peru Pref.	34¾	33	— 1¾
Turk. Unified	9½	8½	— 1
HOME AND FOREIGN RAILS.			
Gt. Western	71¾	69	— 2¾
L.M and S.	35½	33¾	— 1¾
L. & N.E. 4½% D.	1¼ pm.	⅞ pm.	— ⅜
B.A. Gt. Southern	79½	77	— 2½
Cen. Argentine	67	65	— 2
Leopoldina	28½	28¼	— ¼
Can. Pacific	42½	44¼	+ 1¾
INDUSTRIALS.			
Allied News	21/6	20/6	— 1/-
Amal. Press	20/9	20/6	— -/3
Kelly's Directories Deb.	104¾	105¼	+ ½
Daily Mail Trust	2 7/16	2 15/32	+ 1/32
Dennis Bros.	39/-	36/3	— 2/9
Thornycroft	2	1 13/16	— 3/16
Fine Cotton Spin.	21/9	21/-	— -/9
Radio	18½	15½	— 3
Imperial Tobacco	4 13/16	4 25/32	— 1/32
Gramophone	2 5/16	2 9/32	— 1/32
Columbia Graph.	2 7/16	2 13/32	— 1/32
Guinness	108/3	106/6	— 1/9
Distillers	62/6	60/6	— 2/-
United Molasses	21/9	20/9	— 1/-
Imperial Chem.	21/3	20/3	— 1/-
Swedish Match 'B'	13⅞	13 11/16	— 3/16
Bass	69/6	67/9	— 1/9
Austin Motor	30/6	27/9	— 2/9
Sudan Plant.	2	2⅛	+ ⅛
Crittall	22/6	17/6	— 5/-
MINES.			
Gold Fields	1 1/32	1⅛	+ 3/32
De Beers Def.	5¾	6⅞	+ 1⅛
Bwana M'Kubwa	9/1½	9/4½	+ -/3
Chartered	29/1½	30/1½	+ 1/-
Congo Border	9¾	9⅝	— ⅛
N'Changa Copper	2	2 1/16	+ 1/16
Rio Tinto	30⅛	32¼	+ 2⅛
North Broken Hill	1 13/16	1⅞	+ 1/16
Messina	8/3	9/3	+ 1/-
Malayan Dredging	17/6	18/-	+ -/6
Santa Gertrudis	8/4½	9/3	+ -/10½
OILS.			
Anglo-Persian	3 3/32	2 15/16	— 5/32
Burmah	4 1/16	3 11/16	— ⅜
Phœnix	8/-	7/3	— -/9
Royal Dutch	27¾	25⅝	— 2⅛
Shell Transport	4 1/32	3 15/16	— 3/32
Trinidad Leaseholds	1 3/32	1 1/16	— 1/32
V.O.C.	1 5/32	1 3/32	— 1/16
RUBBERS.			
Rubber Trusts	23/9	24/-	+ -/3
Anglo-Dutch	24/-	24/9	+ -/9
Rembia Pref.	⅛	3/16	+ 1/16
Jugra Land and Carey	9/-	9/6	+ -/6
TEAS.			
Kanan Devan	35	34½	— ½
Brahmapootra	30½	31½	+ 1
Caledonian	1 13/16x	1¾x	— 1/16
Scottish Tea and Lands	3 1/16	2 15/16	— ⅛

OIL FEATURES.

The Oil share market unwillingly received its full share of the limelight, dealers experiencing more activity than for many weeks past. Continental weakness has for some time been a depressing factor, and this came to a head last week with heavy sales of Royal Dutch from Amsterdam, which forced down the price to the lowest level in ten years. There were several contributory reasons for the weakness. In the first place, it was announced from New York that the Export Petroleum Association, which fixes the prices at which oil shall be exported from the United States, had cancelled its whole price schedule, thereby releasing American exporters from the obligation to sell only at the comparatively high prices agreed upon. This was interpreted as being a reply to the extensive competition carried on against American companies by the Royal Dutch-Shell group, and was generally regarded as foreshadowing the outbreak of another oil price "war."

Further depression was caused by the speech of the Royal Dutch chairman at a meeting in Amsterdam, in which reference was made to fears of renewed conflict, and which gave rise to a flood of rumours in Amsterdam that a reduction was to be made in the Royal Dutch and Shell interim dividends. The eventual declaration that the dividends were in each case maintained at 10 per cent. caused only a partial recovery, but did much to dispel pessimism.

Heaviness in Venezuelans was caused by the offer of the Royal Dutch Shell combine to reduce imports from Venezuela "if satisfactory freight arrangements could be made" in order to help stabilisation of the overproduction problem, the offer depending on the willingness of other producers to cooperate.

IDLE RUBBERS.

Firm but generally idle conditions continued among Rubber shares, with support for several of the leading issues apparent on the steadier trend of commodity prices. This latter tendency was at first mainly the result of another sharp fall in United Kingdom stocks of raw rubber, which during the past fortnight declined by 6,068 tons.

The substantial decrease was almost wholly caused by the recent sustained buying from France, to which country already 8,000 tons are understood to have been delivered.

Then again buyers have been in the majority in the New York market, where a steady appreciation in prices has also taken place. This sustained buying by manufacturers at current unprofitable levels is regarded with mixed feelings in the market. It is argued that if they are able to build up a sufficiency of stocks to cover 1931 requirements, their support next year will be again lacking, and values might then fail to benefit as a result of the cutting down of output now being put into force by numerous estates.

Tea shares were idle, and the tone was on the dull side. The total average price at the auctions during the past week amounted to 1s. 3.10d., against 1s. 3.24d. the previous week, and 1s. 2.65d. for the corresponding sales a year ago.

THE OUTLOOK.

There is an air of expectancy about the Stock Exchange. Nobody would be surprised if trouble developed as the result of the prolonged and serious slump in New York, which has had its reactions in Paris and throughout the Continent. At this centre, as has been shown already, the influence of America has waned, but sufficient apprehension is felt to cause the public to give the cold shoulder to anything savouring of speculation.

The City read with satisfaction in last week's SUNDAY TIMES that the egregious proposal for a £250,000,000 Development Loan had been rejected, and that Mr. Snowden had no intention of sanctioning this mighty addition to the National Debt just at a time when his main object should be to reduce it. Events are marching steadily towards the conclusion which the City has foreseen for months past —a reduction in Bank rate, followed, or possibly preceded, by an offer of conversion to the holders of at least a part of the 5 per cent. War Loan.

There is no need to take a tragic view of the weakness of Wall Street. It will merely emphasise on that side the necessity for abandoning the role of Midas, and parting with some of the gold which was acquired as a consequence of the war.

Until the financial air has been cleared the more speculative markets must be expected to remain subdued, but the technical position is such that unless helped by liquidation it will be difficult for the bears to force prices down further, while in the event of any favourable development bringing in the public as buyers the recovery would be rapid. Prudent people are therefore holding on to speculative investments that possess promise and adding to them as opportunity offers.

ROAN ANTELOPE.

ORE RESERVES ESTIMATED AT 108,000,000 TONS.

The third annual report of the Roan Antelope Copper Mines, covering the year to June 30, shows that during the year 237,500 fully paid shares were issued as purchase consideration of the Roan Antelope Extension and Muliashi Areas, making the total number of shares issued 4,795,741 of 5s. each.

The following amounts, totalling £103,236, have been written off against the sum standing to the credit of share premium account: new issue expenses, £2,500; underwriting commission, Debenture stock, £82,500; expenses in connection with Debenture stock issue, £2,541; discount on Debenture stock, £15,695.

Expenditure for the year on the further development and equipment of the property amounted to £1,616,190, which includes administrative charges of £16,068.

The company's engineers estimate the ore reserves of the property on October 1 at 108,000,000 short tons, averaging 3.44 per cent. copper, of which 95 per cent. is in the form of sulphide.

This tonnage does not include 7,500,000 short tons of ore underlying the Luanshya River.

The development of the property is stated to have been very satisfactory, and the directors report excellent progress in construction of the permanent plant and townsite, and in the preparation of the mine for production.

The balance-sheet shows a property account of £356,163, development account of £2,670,349, and stores at a book cost of £359,193. Investments stand at a cost of £40,500, and cash at £1,051,272.

BREWERY PROFITS.

ANSELLS' REPORT A SLIGHT CONTRACTION.

Ansells' Brewery, the big Birmingham concern which in June last capitalised £200,000 of its reserve to make a bonus issue of Ordinary shares, has to report a slight contraction in the profits for the year to September 30, the net balance being £174,733, compared with £189,329.

It is proposed to maintain the tax-free distribution on the Ordinary at 15 per cent., placing £40,000 (against £50,000) to reserve, making that fund £320,000, carrying forward £253,147, compared with £243,413 brought in.

SILVER AND LEAD RESULTS.

BURMA CORPORATION PROFITS RECEDE.

Owing to the fall in metal prices, profits of the Burma Corporation, the big producer of lead and silver, declined in the year to June 30. The directors state that the full measure of the decline in prices is not reflected in the year's accounts.

Operating profits of £1,059,559, compared with £1,488,681. After deducting loss on exchange depreciation, duty and income-tax, the net profit was £693,603, against £1,054,842.

Dividends totalling 13 annas per share absorbed £825,197, compared with £1,015,626, or 16 annas per share for 1928-29, leaving to be carried forward £71,653, against £203,246.

The directors state that the period under review has been a difficult one, the greater part coinciding with the conditions which succeeded the financial collapse in America in October, 1929. There has been a decline in consumptive demand resulting in some accumulation of unsold stocks of lead, which were, however, of moderate dimensions.

The new section of the mill was adapted to treat copper ore, and has enabled a considerable expansion in the production of copper matte which has advanced still further since the close of the year.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

Readers who desire answers on financial matters should send their queries to "Financial Editor," the "Sunday Times," 135, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4, so as to arrive not later than first post Fridays.

George.—Keep your Australian stocks.
Oily.—Would not sell Shell Transports.
Brockley.—Quite suitable for your purpose.
H. P. C.—Would sell. The market is nervous.
Cable.—Advise keeping them all for recovery eventually.
Ailsa.—Too risky to buy more even of the First Preference.
Gorse.—You might buy more to average on any further setback in price.
Solo.—Keeping Buells would be quite a gamble, but they may revive some day.
Anxious (Rochester).—Do not advise taking present prices for the Australian stocks.
C. M.—For investment prefer (a), (f). and (g), but (c) and (d) have speculative possibilities.
Pippen.—(1) Sell unless you can face a long wait. (2) No information obtainable in this country.
Doubtful.—You would probably get as much by waiting for the liquidation as if you sold them now.
E. M. W.—East African Sisal Plantations shares are not quoted. Have a poor opinion of the concern.
Shares (Manchester).—It is a bad time for selling any of these, but would get rid of No. 5 on any recovery.
Smallman.—Probably a purchase of War Loan 5 per cent. stock through the post office would suit you best.
Jersey.—Would not advise selling any of these. Prefer to keep War Loan 5 per cent. and chance a conversion offer.
Mitten.—A further decline is quite possible. Should defer a purchase until the outlook becomes more hopeful.
Alec.—(1) Would rather keep Leylands than average the other two. (2) Unilevers are a reasonable speculative purchase.
C. M.—Extremely problematical if Russian South-Eastern Bonds will ever be of any value. At best they have a gambling chance.
W. E. B.—Send no money to the J. H. Henderson Co. of Montreal for shares in Hecla Consolidated Mines and other similar concerns.
W. J. P. (Southsea).—(1) "Stock Exchange Gazette" should suit your purposes. (2) All are subject to the course of general trade.
Cantab.—The yield required involves risk. City of Santos 7 per cent. return 9¾ per cent., increased by redemption to about 11 per cent.
Hope.—Would rather not sell these at present. A purchase of Australian 5 per cent. 1945-75 would involve some risk, but should turn out well in time.
Gwent.—The company has plenty of working capital, but production costs are not particularly low. You might average if you are prepared to hold for a period until things improve.
Otley.—If you cannot get any satisfaction from the chairman, write to the President of the Board of Trade and lodge a complaint against the company's methods.
Brunton.—A fair speculation to average African and Eastern. The low price is due to the fact that no dividend has been paid on the Ordinary shares since April, 1928.
E. P. Y.—See no reason to sell Burmah Oil 8 per cent. Cum. Preference, although what you say is quite correct, should you wish to sell. Of the other three, Phillips' Rubber Soles 7½ per cent. Preferences are attractive for the yield offered.
Manchester.—(1) Cannot advise buying more, as it is doubtful if the dividend can be maintained. The yield would be about 7 per cent. tax free, which is too high for safety. (2) Vickers tax-free Preferences are reasonable.
Exeter.—Two coupons were paid on Chinese 5 per cent. 1912, and another payment is expected before the end of the year, clearing off arrears; but notice has not yet been given. No date can be given for the resumption of drawings.
T. F. M.—(1) Not immune from political risk. Prefer Brazil 5 per cent. Funding 1898, which give a better yield. (2) The American financial crisis is responsible. Do not sell if you can wait for recovery.
Tipitee.—(1) It is hoped that the dividend will be maintained, and the selling is generally attributed to liquidation. Would not average. (2) You could deal through New York. Prefer to realise and exchange into gilt-edged stock, as suggested.
Futurist.—The Conversion 3½ per cent. sinking fund continues to operate until the price reaches 90. A yield of 4 per cent. would mean a price of 87½. So long as money remains cheap, there is no reason to expect a setback in this or other long-dated loans.
Makar.—The Rhodesia Border Mining Corporation was registered in Southern Rhodesia with a capital of £750,000 in 10s. shares. London offices are at 80a, Coleman Street, E.C.2. Very little other information is available, and there is no quotation for the shares.
M. B., Chelsea.—The finance of all this group is a mystery, but it is hoped that the position will be defined before the end of the year. Think you would be justified in waiting. Last time the debenture interest, requiring £90,000, was covered with a margin of £65,693.
J. D.—(1) Sudan Plantations and Staveley Coal are quite promising. United Molasses also have scope but are more speculative. (2) In the circumstances, War Loan 5 per cent. should be retained. The loss in the event of redemption could not amount to much in any case.
Veles.—Good industrial debentures are difficult to get. The following might suit you if obtainable:—Tate and Lyle 5½ per cent. Debentures, Wiggins Teape 5½ per cent. Debentures, Niger 5½ per cent. Guaranteed Debentures, Fine Cotton Spinners 4 per cent. First Debentures, and Debenhams 5 per cent. Debentures.
D. O. S.—(1) You must be prepared for a cut in the Victoria Jute dividend, probably to 20 per cent., but this is allowed for in the price. It is a sound company, and probably your best course would be to keep the shares until conditions in the jute trade improve. (2) Would not take the present price for Anglo-Argentine Trams First Preferences.

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COMPANY MEETINGS.

TRINIDAD LEASEHOLDS.

BOARD'S DIVIDEND POLICY.

"REGENT" MOTOR SPIRIT.

An ordinary general meeting of Trinidad Leaseholds, Ltd., was held on Tuesday at Winchester House, E.C.

Mr. F. R. Phillips (the chairman) said that the working profit amounted to £428,860, the reduction of £207,162 compared with the previous year being due to lower selling prices for practically all products, and to a small extent to the fact that stocks of oil and products on hand on June 30 last were larger than last year, while the valuations were lower in view of current conditions. The net profit was £252,514, out of which an interim dividend of 7½ per cent. had been paid; £75,000 had been placed to reserve account, and £105,730 was being carried forward.

Capital expenditure for the year was £398,636. The development programme entered upon some years ago was now well on the way to completion, and it was anticipated that expenditure of a capital nature would be considerably reduced in the future. It had been heavy during the last three years, but had been well justified by the results achieved. The net profit of £252,514 would ordinarily have justified the board in declaring a final dividend, but owing to further falls in selling prices in recent months, to the general outlook in the oil industry in the immediate future, and to other considerations, the board were reluctantly compelled to forgo the declaration of a final dividend.

DISTRIBUTION OF "REGENT" SPIRIT.

While the volume of sales during the last year approximated very closely to those of the previous year, the average price per ton realised decreased considerably, which was accounted for by the continued excess of production over demand. The decrease in revenue from sales in America had prompted the board to enter the motor-spirit distribution market in the United Kingdom, and they had acquired the pertroleum distribution side of the business of Burt, Boulton and Haywood, Ltd., as from July 1 last. They had ample supplies of their own spirit available over here, and had made arrangements for its distribution under the trade name of "Regent." They were very hopeful that this branch of their business would expand, especially in view of the fact that their spirit was an Empire product. They had already received numerous inquiries for it.

Development on the company's main producing fields in Trinidad had been satisfactory. Their own production, at 394,819 tons, was 36,765 tons less than in the previous year. On the other hand, purchases were 112,873 tons greater. In view of the largely increased quantity of oil available during the year, it was not advisable, under existing market conditions, to press production from their own fields. The refinery throughout, at 962,566 tons, showed an increase of 35,136 tons, and was the largest throughput in any year since the formation of the company.

After referring to the company's interests in the Siparia Trinidad Oilfields, the North Venezuelan Petroleum Co., and the Tocuyo Oilfields of Venezuela, the chairman, touching upon the current year's prospects, said that as to whether prices had yet touched bottom he was unable to make any forecast. With regard to the company's own position, the indications were that, failing unforeseen circumstances, the volume of business would not be less than that of last year. While fair profits had been earned for the first four months of the year, it would be rash for him to attempt to forecast the final results owing to the many uncertain factors in the situation.

The report and accounts were adopted.

SUDAN PLANTATIONS SYNDICATE.

DEVELOPMENT OF NEW AREAS.

MARKET PROSPECTS.

The twenty-third ordinary general meeting of the Sudan Plantations Syndicate, Ltd., was held on November 12 at Winchester House, E.C.

Mr. Alexander MacIntyre (chairman and managing director), in the course of his speech, said:—

In our profit and loss account we show a gross profit of £441,700. From this we have to deduct general expenses and the usual writings off, leaving a net profit of £227,000. We now recommend a final dividend of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year. The whole balance of last year's stocks of cotton and cotton seed has been disposed of at prices above last year's balance-sheet figures, and all this year's cotton seed has been sold. On the other hand, owing to market conditions, sales of this season's cotton have been exceptionally slow, and we have not been able to dispose of as much of our cotton as usual, at this date, and unless trade improves we must expect to have still unsold when the harvesting of the new crop commences a larger proportion of our stock than we had last year.

Reviewing our field work and conditions for the past year, the area planted in cotton at Zeidab was 5,230 feddans, which produced a good crop of excellent quality, the total being 18,609 kantars, or an average of 3,558 kantars per feddan, the resulting bales shipped being 3,845, against 3,855 bales for the preceding year. In the Gezira the area planted under cotton was 158,585 feddans, under durra 68,634 feddans, and under lubia 86,860 feddans, showing an increase of 27,234 feddans under cotton, 2,983 feddans under durra, and 32,280 feddans under lubia compared with the previous year. The cotton crop amounted to 336,425 kantars, compared with 466,169 kantars. The average per feddan was 2.12 kantars, against an average of 3.54 kantars for the previous year, and an average of 3.72 kantars for the previous five years.

TREND OF COTTON PRICES.

Considering that we have had our worst crop in a year of general world depression, I think that the figures shown in our accounts are much better than might have been expected. It has been a very difficult year for our syndicate.

The heavy fall in the price of cotton would not have affected our profits to such an extent if we had had our ordinary average yield, as the increase in our area has become such a factor that it would have gone far towards compensating for the fall in prices. If prices improve we have no cause for anxiety, and, even should there be no improvement in present prices for some time, I look to our increased areas in the West and North, together with the larger percentages which we receive in the Northern Extension, to make up a substantial amount of the reduction shown in our profits. It is very difficult to forecast the trend of cotton prices in these abnormal times, but it seems reasonable to assume that during the period of falling prices manufacturers and purchasers of cotton goods have only been buying from hand to mouth. Consequently, stocks of manufactured goods must be getting low, and any return of confidence or any upward trend in prices should bring buyers into the cloth market.

With regard to the present growing crop, in the Gezira we have under cotton 175,000 feddans, under durra 72,000 feddans, under lubia 94,000 feddans. It is too early yet to form an estimate of what the crop will be. Much depends on the weather which we shall have during the next three or four months.

The Hon. Arthur M. Asquith, D.S.O., said that they had 16,000 feddans more than last year under cotton. According to the latest reports their tenants were working well and labour was plentiful.

The report was adopted unanimously.

MONEY MARKET.

EASE FOLLOWS EARLY STRINGENCY.

Saturday Afternoon.

Although conditions in the short loan market are now easier, stringency prevailed during the first half of the past week owing to the window-dressing activities of the clearing banks and the withdrawal of further French balances from the market. No assistance was sought from the Bank of England, but this was only narrowly avoided in some quarters. At times, up to 3 per cent. was readily paid for fresh day-to-day advances, but 2½ per cent. appeared to be the more usual charge, while renewals of old loans were arranged at 2 to 2¼ per cent. Certain of the clearing banks, however, are now lending freely, with the result that loan rates have declined sharply, lenders to-day accepting 1½ per cent., and even less for the use of week-end balances.

Discounts, after stiffening appreciably on the higher cost of loans, and the large gold withdrawals from the Bank on French account, are becoming weaker in tendency, under the influence of the improved situation in the loan market. Two and three months fine bank bills were bought to-day down to 2 3-16 per cent., while the new Treasury Bills were in request at 2 5-32 per cent., it being understood that the market did not obtain a large proportion.

On the whole, the tendency of the Continental exchanges has been to move in favour of London.

—	Method of quoting.	Par of exch.	Quotations. Nov. 15	Nov. 8
Paris, cheques...	Fr. to £...	124.21	123.65-.67	123.59-.61
Berlin	Mks. to £	20.43	20.38¼-.½	20.38¼-¾
Brussels, ch'ques	Belga to £	35.00	34.82½-.83	34.82-34.83
Amst'rd'm, chqs.	Fl. to £...	12.107	12.07¼-.½	12.06¾-.07
Italy, sight	Lire to £	92.46	92.75-92.78	92.79-92.81
Greece	Drch. to £	375	374¾-375¼	374¾-375¼
Madrid, sight ...	Pes. to £	25.22½	42.05-42.10	42.75-42.80
Lisbon, sight ...	Escudo ...	4.50	108⅛-.⅜	108⅛-⅜
Switz'rl'nd, sight	Fr. to £...	25.22½	25.05¾-.06¼	25.03 03¼
Oslo ....sight	Kr. to £...	18.159	18.15½-.16	18.15½-.16
Stockholm, sight	Kr. to £...	18.159	18.10-.10¼	18.11 .11½
Copenhagen, s'gt	Kr. to £...	18.159	18.16-.16½	18.15¾-.16¼
Helsingfors	Mks. to £	193.23	192¾-193	192¾-193
Vienna	Sh. to £...	34.58½	34.47-34.50	34.48-34.52
Alexandria, sight	Pstrs. to £	97½	97 7/16-97 9/16	97 7/16-97 9/16
Prague	Kr. to £...	164.25	163¾-⅞	163¾-⅞
Bucharest	Lei to £...	813.6	817-819	817-819
Bombay, T.T. ...	d. to rupee	18d.	1s. 5 25/32d.	1s. 5 13/16d.
Calcutta, T.T. ...	d. to rupee	18d.	1s. 5 25/32d.	1s. 5 13/16d.
Hong Kong, T.T.	d. to dol...	—	1s. 3⅝d.	1s. 3⅝d.
Shanghai, T.T....	d. to tael..	—	1s. 7½d.	1s 7½d.
Singapore, T.T..	d. to dol...	2s. 4d.	2s. 3 29/32d.	2s. 3 29/32d.
Kobe	Yen.........	24.57d.	2s. 0 21/32d.	2s. 0 17/32d.
New York, cable	Dol. to £	4.86⅔	4.85⅝-21/32	4.85 21/32-23/32
Montreal, cable	Dol. to £	4.86⅔	4.85 3/16-5/16	4.85 3/16-5/16
Rio de J., T.T....	d. to ml...	5.89d.	4⅞-4 15/16	4 15/16-5
Buenos A's, T.T.	Dollar......	47.58d.	38⅝-38¾	38 11/16-38 13/16
Valp'r'iso, 90d'ys	Pesos to £	40	39.93	39.97
Montevideo, T.T.	d. to dol...	51d	39-39½	39½-40
Lima	Sols to £	12.166	15.90	15.55

REPORTS & NOTICES

MAWCHI MINES.—Production for October, 200½ tons mixed tin-wolfram concentrates.

ITALO-BELGIAN BANK.—The profits for year ended June 30 show little change at Frs.20,213,456. Dividend of 12 per cent. (same).

DJAPOERA (SUMATRA) RUBBER.—Crop October, 56,373 lb., against 38,801 lb. Total to date, 430,232 lb., against 327,130 lb.

TEA CORPORATION.—Tea sales continue to be satisfactory, but owing to the present condition of the rubber industry, the directors have decided not to pay an interim dividend, but to await the result of the full year's trading. Every economy is being exercised.

MOORS AND ROBSON'S BREWERIES.—Final dividend of 10 per cent., making 15 per cent., together with bonus of 3s. (as against 2s.) per share. General reserve allocation is again £12,000, raising it to £90,950, and £17,295, compared with £16,800, is carried over.

UNITED BRITISH STEAMSHIP.—Directors state that in view of the grave depression through which the shipping industry is passing, they cannot recommend the payment of an interim dividend. A year ago 2½ per cent. was paid, followed by a final distribution at the same rate, making 5 per cent.

BASS, RATCLIFF, AND GRETTON.—A final dividend of 14 per cent., tax free, is proposed for year to September 30, making 19 per cent., against 20 per cent. Gross profits amounted to £1,715,781, decrease of £7,873. Net balance works out at £538,969, against £542,632. Balance carried forward is raised by £46,198 to £320,181.

INCOME-TAX QUERIES.

R. O. P.—A single man must pay income-tax on whole income less deduction of £135.

M. C.—As you did not give notice of appeal within twenty-one days you are out of date.

Dunsfold.—A person returning to England to take up permanent residence becomes liable to tax from day when he returns.

E. W. G.—On paying mortgage interest you are entitled to deduct from every £ thereof rate of tax in force at date when interest falls due.

D. H.—You must show the ground rents in proper place provided on return form, and you will see that they are deducted from gross income to arrive at own income. You cannot deduct anything for cost of collection of rents.

France.—Interest on 3½ per cent. Conversion Loan is payable on April 1 and October 1. The interest is not exempt from income-tax for persons domiciled abroad. Tax is not deducted from interest if Loan is purchased through Post Office.

T. P. W.—If no land tax has been charged on property for past thirty years you should appeal against any attempt to assess it now to land tax on ground that absence of charge for so many years is presumptive evidence that land tax on that property has been redeemed.

C. C.—For 1930-31 single man is entitled to £135 free of tax, and to relief on further £250 of income at 2s. 6d. in £. It is immaterial that varying rates of tax may have been deducted from dividends. The effective rate for purposes of refund is standard rate of 4s. 6d. in £.

J. McK.—If it can be shown that investment in Co-op. Society belongs to three equally, then income must be allocated to three, and only one liable will pay. If there is no evidence of this, income must all be treated as belonging to person in whose name investment stands.

A Little Knowledge.—Liability is that of husband. Proceedings for recovery would be taken against him. A genuine error is fully met by making of assessments for six permissible years. Payment of more is in nature of compromised penalty for culpable error.

Fitzroy.—You give particulars of income but do not say what is point which you wish answered. The housekeeper allowance can only be claimed if sister is widow. Her total income being under £500 and age over sixty-five, she is entitled to allowance of one-sixth from total income. If she is widow or single she can claim £135 personal allowance free of tax, and (for 1929-30) further £225 to be taxed at 2s. in £ only. From these particulars you can probably calculate what refund sister can claim.

H. R.—You do not say nature of business, so that it is impossible to form opinion. You will be quite safe in taking books to Inspector of Taxes, when he will be able to see exactly what profit you are making. Assuming that total income does not exceed £500, you can claim allowance of one-sixth from total income and personal allowance of £225, and rest of income will be taxable at 2s. in £ only. As £295 is already fully taxed at full standard rate, it seems improbable that you should have anything further to pay.

Brunton.—A temporary visit to this country by man and wife and family whose business and place of residence is abroad will not render him or wife liable to tax unless and until they have stayed in this country over six months within one tax year. The wife, having been residing in this country for eighteen months, is liable to tax as person resident here, but not ordinarily. Her liability extends to any sums remitted to her in respect of income of own or husband from property or investments abroad, but does not extend to remittances out of husband's earnings.

E. W. R.—For 1930-31 you would obtain refund of about £18. You can calculate exact refund by deducting from gross total income (including annual value of house you live in) allowance of £225 and calculating tax on remainder at 2s. in £ on £250 and 4s. 6d. in £ on rest. This is for current year. For last year (year for which you are probably now making claim to refund) you will calculate tax on £225 at 2s. and on remainder at 4s. As regards life insurance, allowance is due to you at 2s. in £ on premium for last year and at 2s. 3d. in £ for this year.

Shirley.—Interest on deposit account abroad would appear to be assessable at option of Crown either under Case V. as income from foreign possession other than securities, stocks, shares or rents, or under Case III., which embraces all untaxed interest whether arising in this country or elsewhere. So long as interest is being remitted authorities customarily deal with it as part of Case V. liability. If it were systematically retained abroad, it is possible they would exercise option to assess it under Case III., when question of remittance would not affect basis of liability.

Fife.—The assessment upon director's fees should be made for 1928-9 and onwards on amount of fees received by you in respect of tax year preceding year of assessment. For 1927-8 and previous years assessments should be based on actual fees of year of assessment. The basis was changed for 1928-9 onwards. In any year, however, in which Director's fees become payable for first time assessment for that year would be on actual income of year. In year in which you cease to be director you will be charged on actual fees of that year, if any. You will not be charged in following year. On strict interpretation you appear to have been let off easily, since 1928-9 could have been charged on comparatively large fees of 1927-8 if view that employment as director has been continuous from 1923 were adopted.

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WALL STREET ACTIVE.

STRONG CLOSE TO THE WEEK.

MANY GAINS FOLLOW PROFIT-TAKING.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

During to-day's short session, the advance was maintained for the fifth day in succeson, making one of the most prolonged upward movements for the year, many issues rising from 1 to 4 points, where a week-end decline under profit-taking had been anticipated in many quarters.

The opening was irregular, and considerable profit-taking appeared early in copper shares, but reports of large sales of the commodity at 12 cents checked the decline. Shorts were driven to cover in motion picture stocks, which have recently been bear targets, while the list developed considerable buoyancy in late trading, although prices finally eased slightly from the day's high levels.

It was reported that steel operations in the Youngstown area would advance from 50 to 52 per cent. next week. Wall Street derived encouragement from the remarks of Mr. Thomas Lamont, a partner of Morgan and Company, at a meeting of the American Academy of Political Science, in which he expressed the conviction that a business recovery was already under way.

The closing was firm. Republic Iron and Steel, Loews Incorporated, Fox Films, Warner Bros., Paramount Publix, Goodyear Tire, Wabash Missouri Pacific, Du Pont, Case Threshing Machine, and Allied Chemical rose from 2 to 4 points. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds steady. The day's sales totalled 1,708,000 shares. Money on Call nominal. Sterling Exchange steady. Silver ⅛c. higher at 36¼.—Reuter.

IRREGULAR SESSION ON CURB.

UTILITIES AND OILS HIGHER.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

On to-day's Curb market, yesterday's advance was resumed with Utilities and Oils prominent on short covering, although prices generally finished below the day's best owing to profit-taking.

Many Utilities rose from 1 to 2 points, while American Gas soared 5 points. Oils advanced from fractions to 2, Driver Harris rose 4, and Noranda 1 point, but Newmont Mining lost 2.

Among investment issues Goldman Sachs and United Founders were supported.

Eng. Equiv	Stocks.	Closing bid. Sat.	Fri.
21⅞	Associated Gas and Electric A.	21¼	21
27 5/16	Brazilian Traction Light & Power	26½	26¼
21⅛	Cities Service	20⅞	20⅛
3⅞	Creole Oil	3¾	3½
49 1/16	Electric Bond and Share	48¼	46⅛
13⅞	Electric Shareholding Common	13½	13½
25¾	Ford (Canada) voting "A"	25	24
18 13/16	Imperial Oil of Canada	18¼	18
14 11/16	International Petroleum	14¼	14⅛
22 11/16	Middle West Utilities	22	21
62 13/16	Newmont Mining	61	63
13	Niagara Hudson Power Corporation	12⅝	12
7⅞	Penn Road Corporation	7⅝	7½
8¾	Silica Gel. Corporation	8½	8½
38⅞	Standard Oil of Indiana	37¾	37⅝
	FOREIGN SECURITIES.		
5 7/16	Associated Electrical Industries	5¼	5⅛
2 3/16	Bwana M'Kubwa	2⅛	2⅛
15 5/16	Ford (of England) £1 shares (fy.p.)	15⅛	15
11 9/16	General Elect. Ord.*	11¼	11⅛
27 13/16	Hydro-Electric	27	25
2 13/16	Marconi Canada b	2¾	2¾
8¾	Marconi Marine Ord.*	8½	8½
16½	Roan Antelope a	16	15½

* American Deposit Receipt.
a Receipt represents four English shares.
b Warrants for Shares Sold.

COTTON ERRATIC.

ACTIVE BUYING OF MAY OPTION.

EXCLUSIVE CABLE TO THE "SUNDAY TIMES."

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Irregular fluctuations continued, with prices influenced on the one hand by the weakness of wheat and corn, and on the other by a strong Stock Market, which prevented much change in the first hour.

An early loss, due to "hedge" selling, was replaced by a recovery of 10 points, with buying of May by a house operating for the Farm Board. Again the main feature was the trading by the latter, which is now taking up wheat on December contracts.

The Chicago American Co-Operative Association says that 1,700,000 bales of cotton have been received to November 12, with 64,000,000 dollars advanced, and more has been received by State organisations, and not yet turned over to the central body.

VISIBLE SUPPLY INCREASED.

Though 650,000 bales more cotton was unmarketed on August 1 than the year before and the ginnings to November 1 were only 30,000 bales less than last year, the amount of cotton moved into sight is now 680,000 bales less than last year, or about 1,300,000 bales difference, which is equivalent to the reduction in spinners' takings of 1,300,000 bales under last season.

The American visible supply has gained 4,516,000 bales since August 1, against 3,946,000 bales increase last year and 3,139,000 bales two years ago. The world's visible supply of all kinds of cotton is 9,440,000 bales, which is the largest on record, and it is still increasing.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Cotton opened steady at 7 to 3 points loss. Trading was quiet and feverish, values declining under less favourable Liverpool cables and Southern selling. Covering and trade buying started a rally, but this was met by offerings on small advances. Interest was centred in buying of May option by co-operatives, the market closing steady with old contracts 8 points down to 1 point up, and New Deliveries 5 points lower to 1 higher. Spot quiet at 5 points fall.

At New Orleans Futures opened 2 to 4 points down and closed unchanged at 4 points higher. Spot finished unchanged.

Highest and lowest prices in the last 30 seconds of trading at New York:—Nov., 10.80-10.80; Dec., 10.96-10.96; Jan., 11.18-11.18. New Contracts: Nov., 10.80-10.80; Dec., 10.97-10.95; Jan., 11.14-11.13; Feb., 11.28-11.28; March, 11.44-11.43; April, 11.55-11.55; May, 11.69-11.68; June, 11.77-11.77; July, 11.86-11.86; August, 11.92-11.92; Sept., 11.99-11.99; Oct., 12.06-12.06. Spot Middling at New York, 11.10.

Highest and lowest prices in the last minute of trading at New Orleans:—December, 11.02-11.01; January, 11.17-11.17. Spot middling at New Orleans, 10.72.—Reuter.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

American Futures opened about 4 points lower. Values improved on some trade calling, but prices again receded, and the market closed quiet at generally 5 points reduction.

Egyptian Contracts met with a small inquiry, and prices showed little variation. The final quotations were quiet and steady at 4 to 5 points decline for Sakellaridis and 3 to 4 points lower for Upper.

Closing Futures.—American: November, 5.81; December, 5.86; January, 5.93; February, 5.98; March, 6.07; April, 6.11; May, 6.18; June, 6.22; July, 6.28; August, 6.31; September, 6.34; October, 6.38; November, 6.41; January (1932), 6.48. Egyptian: Sakellaridis: November, 8.83; December, 8.76; January, 8.79; March, 8.90; May, 9.04; July, 9.19. Upper: November, 6.66; December, 6.70; January, 6.73; March, 6.85; May, 6.99; July, 7.11.

Spot Market.—Americans in small demand and values 4 points higher. Brazilian advanced 4 points. Egyptians quiet. All quotations advanced 5 points, excepting "Extra Fine" of Sakellaridis, which was unchanged. East Indians show no change. American middling, 6.02; Brazilian Pernam Maceio, etc., fair, 6.02; Egyptian Sakellaridis, F.G.F., 9.75; East Indian, M.G. Broach, good, —, F.G. 4.50, fine 4.70; Tinnevelly, F.G.F. 5.50, good 5.70; M.G. Oomra, good 3.90, F.G. 4.10, fine 4.30; M.G. Bengal, good 3.70, F.G. 3.85, fine 4.00.—Reuter.

NEW YORK METALS.

FURTHER ADVANCE IN COPPER.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The exporters, incorporated, have advanced the price of copper by 1½ cents. to 12.30, bringing the foreign price into line with the domestic price of 12 cents, established yesterday.—Reuter.

The above advance follows a rise to 10.80 cents. on Friday from the record low level of 9.80 cents registered earlier in the week.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The following quotations are supplied by Messrs. C. S. Trench and Co.:—

Copper steady. Lake Spot delivered consuming points in Middle West, 12.12½ asked; Electrolytic Spot delivered Connecticut Valley, 12.00 asked; Electrolytic f.a.s. New York prompt delivery, 12.00 asked; Electrolytic f.a.s. New York 30-90 days, 12.00 asked; Casting f.o.b. New York Refinery, 11.35 asked.

Straits Tin.—Steady spot unchanged December 2½ points down; Spot and nearby New York, 26.75; Future option December 26.80.

Copper.—The U.S. Copper Export Association quotes Copper c.i.f. Hamburg, 12.30.—Reuter.

AMERICAN PRODUCE.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Coffee opened quiet a point up to 4 points down. The market was slightly easier owing to liquidation and a little European selling. At the close a quiet tone prevailed, with Rio contracts unchanged to 4 points lower and Santos grades 5 points to 1 point down. Spots quiet and unchanged. Rio No. 7, 7¾; Santos No. 4, 11¾; Futures basis Rio No. 7, December, 6.60; January, 6.15; March, 5.90; May, 5.70; July, 5.60; September, 5.49; October, 5.49. Estimated day's sales Rio futures, 2,000 bags. Futures basis Santos No. 4, December 10.30; January, 9.80; March, 9.53; May, 9.20; July, 9.03; September, 8.88. Estimated sales Santos futures, 2,000 bags.

Cocoa.—Spot, 6⅝. Futures closed steady 1 point to 3 points up. December, 6.21; January, 6.32; March, 6.52; May, 6.73; July, 6.91; September, 7.09.

Sugar.—Futures market depressed by liquidation and European selling, owing to lower London advices and rumours of dissension in the Java Trust, but afterwards rallied on covering and Cuban support. Close was steady, with prices unchanged to a point down. Spot steady and 2 points higher. 96 Test Centrifugal Cuban Local Spot, 3.48. Approximate day's sales, 17,000 tons. December, 1.40; January, 1.45; March 1.53; May, 1.60; July, 1.67; September, 1.73; October, 1.74.

Petroleum.—Steady. Standard White, in cases, nominal; barrels, nominal; Mid-Continent Crude, 33 to 33.9 Baume, 85 cents; Pennsylvania Crude 1.45 to 1.85.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

Wheat opened easy with old contracts ⅛c. to 1¼c. and new deliveries ⅝c. to 1⅜c. lower. The closing was irregular, old contracts being ⅛c. to 1⅜c. down, while May new finished unchanged and other positions were 1⅛c. to 2⅞c. cheaper. December, 73½ to 73; March, 73 to 72⅞; May, 74⅛ to 73⅞.—Reuter.

WINNIPEG WHEAT.

WINNIPEG, Saturday.

Wheat was easy at the opening and 1c. to 2c. down. Considerable liquidation was encouraged by advices from Liverpool of a pressure of Canadian, Argentine, and Russian Wheats, together with a decline of 9d. to 1s. in exporters' offerings to the United Kingdom. Further depressing influences were advices to the effect that a number of Russian cargoes afloat were being diverted to Liverpool and rumours that the Canadian pool were "long" of December. The market closed weak and 4¼c. to 3¼c. lower. Opening Options.—December, 61½; May, 67; July, 67. Closing Options.—December, 58⅝; May, 64⅜; July, 65⅞.—Reuter.

PARIS BOURSE FIRM.

PARIS, Saturday.

Transactions were more numerous on the Bourse to-day, and price movements were generally towards higher levels. On the Parquet Rentes received good support, and most local securities were steady to firm. Banque de France rose from 20,295 to 20,800. Internationals were in good demand: Rio Tintos were 150 francs higher at 4,150. Suez Canal shares advanced 230 francs to 16,650, but Turkish Unified eased 50 cents. to 41.50.

On the Coulisse Diamond shares ruled firm. De Beers deferred moved from 734 to 747, and Jagersfontein were 14 francs better at 150. Gold Mining shares mostly moved within narrow limits, but Rubber and Oil shares attracted more attention.—Reuter.

"SUNDAY TIMES" NEW YORK CLOSING PRICES

Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Closing bid. Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Closing bid. Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Closing bid. Sat.	Fri.
	RAILROADS.										
199 5/16	Atchison	193½	192	90⅝	Illinois Central	88	87⅜	59 3/16	Northern Pacific	57½	55¾
123⅝	Atlantic C. L.	120	118	10 5/16	Int. R. C. Am.	10	9½	62 13/16	Pennsylvania	61	61
79 5/16	Baltimore & O.	77	77	41 7/16	Kans. City S.	40¼	43	97 5/16	Reading	94½	92
45 1/16	Can. Pac. (New)	43¾	43¾	106 1/16	Louisvl. & Nash	103	100	70 5/16	S. Louis S. Fran.	68¼	68¼
44 5/16	Ches. & Ohio	43	41⅝	2 1/16	Mex. Nat. 1st Pf.	2g	2g	36 1/16	St. Louis S.W.	35	34
6 13/16	Chic. G. West	6¾	6¾	⅜	Do. 2nd Pref.	⅜b	⅜a	1	Sea. Air Line	1	1
24⅞	Do. Prfd.	24⅛	24	22 11/16	Missri. K. & Tex.	22	21¼	104 13/16	Southern Pacific	101¾	101
8½	Chic. Mil. St. P.	8¼	7½	75 3/16	Do. Pref.	73	73½	69	Southern Rly.	67	67
13¾	Do. Pref.	13⅜	12⅞	35¼	Missouri Pacific	34¼	33¼	197½	Union Pacific	191¾	189¼
68	Chic. Rock Is.	66	66	100 7/16	Do. Pref.	97½	97	18 9/16	Wabash New	18	16½
30¾	Erie	29⅞	29½	138½	N.Y. Central	134½	135¾	46 1/16	Do. Pref. A.	44¾	44½
45 5/16	Do. 1st Pf.	44	43½	88 13/16	New Haven	86¼	84		———		
69½	Gt. Nthn. Pf.	67½	66	216 5/16	Norfolk & West	210	206	16 3/16d.	Silver	36¼	36⅛
	a Bid, ½ asked.				b Bid, ⅝ asked.				g Asked.		
	INDUSTRIALS.										
105 1/16	Air Reduction	102	102	57 11/16	Elec. Stor. Bat.	56	55	57 3/16	Otis Elevator	55½	55
215½	Allied C. and Dye	209¼	204	32 5/16	Fox Film "A"	32	29¾	9¼	Packard Motors	9	8⅝x
119⅞	Am. Can.	116⅜	116¼	51⅞	Gen. Electric	50⅜	50	47¼	Paramount Publix	45⅞	43⅞
31 5/16	Am. Loco.	31	30½	52¼	Gen. Foods Cor.	50¾	49¼	62 1/16	Pullman Co.	60¼	61
20⅝	Am. Radiator	20	19¾	37 3/16	Gen. Motors	36½	36x	16 1/16	Remington Tpe.	15⅝	15½
32 3/16	Am. Rolling Mills	31¼	31	33¾	Gillette Razor	32¾	33	20 3/16	Republic I. & S.	19⅝	17½
56⅞	Am. Smelt. & R.	55¼	56¼	21⅛	Goodrich B. F.	20½	20	46 3/16	Reynold Tob. B.	44⅞	44¾
52	Am. Sugar Ref.	50½	46½	22 11/16	Hudson Motors	22	21¾	51½	Sears-Robk.	50	48⅞
108 11/16	Am. Tobac. "B"	105½	107½	178 3/16	Ingersoll Rand	173	171	15 11/16	Stan. Brands	15¼	14¼
41 11/16	Anaconda	40½	41⅝	62 11/16	Int. Harvester	60⅞	59½	21⅞	Studebaker Cn.	21¼	21¼
47⅜	Atlantic Gulf	46	45	64⅜	Int. Match Pref.	62½	62½	54 1/16	Tex. Gf. Sul.	52½	51¾
23 1/16	Baldwin Loco.	22⅜	22¾	20 3/16	Intern. Nickel	19⅝	19⅞	64⅝	Union Carbide	62¾	61¾
68⅛	Bethlem. Steel	66½	65¼	8	Intern. Paper 'A'	7¾	7	27 13/16	United Aircraft	27	26⅝
15 13/16	Celanese of Am.	15½	15	32 7/16	Kennecott Cop.	31½	32	20 1/16	United Corp.	19½	19¾
13½	Cerro de Pasco	13⅛	30½	24⅞	Kreuger & Toll	24⅛	23⅝	68½	United Fruit	66½	65
31 5/16	Chile Copper	31	35	62 5/16	Lehman Corp.	60½	60¼	68¼	U.S. In. Alcohol	66¼	63½
17⅜	Chrysler Motor	16⅞	16⅜	88 1/16	Liggett Myers	85½	84¾	15 7/16	U.S. Rubber	15	13½
12⅛	Columbia Graph.	11¾	11½	58 13/16	Loew's Incor.	57⅛	55¼	152 13/16	U.S. Steel	148⅜	146¾
51¾	Cont. Can.	50¼	49¾	45 5/16	Mack Trucks	44	42½	150⅛	Do. Pref.	145¾	145¾
82⅞	Corn Prod. Rf.	80½	79½	20¾	Montg. Ward	20⅛	19¾	154½	Utah Copper	150g	150g
56⅝	Crucible Steel	55	53	28 3/16	Nash Motors	27¾	27⅛	54 11/16	Vanadium Cpn.	53⅛	52¼
18	Davison Chem.	17½	16⅜	78 13/16	Natl. Biscuit	76½	75	106⅞	Westinghouse	103¾	102¼
69½	Drug Incorptd.	67½	68¼x	31 13/16	Natl. Cash Reg.	31	30⅜	63 1/16	Woolworth	61¼	60
97 5/16	Du Pont Nms.	94½	92¼	44 13/16	Natl. Dairy	43½	43½	84 5/16	Worthn. Pump.	82½	—
176⅛	Eastman Kodak	171	169	129¾	National Lead	126	118	77¼	Y'ungstn Sheet	75	—
	g Asked.										
	PUBLIC UTILITIES.										
40 3/16	Am. & For. Power	39⅜	40	47½	Elec. P. and L.	46⅛	45¾	18	Radio Corpn.	17½	16⅛
197½	Am. Tel. and Tlg.	191¾	191	28 13/16	Int. Rapid Trns.	28	28½	74⅛	Standard Gas	72	70⅜
40 11/16	Columbia Gas	39½	39⅞	31⅛	Int. Tel. Teleg.	30¼	28¾	29¾	United Gas Imp.	28⅞	28⅛
10 3/16	Comwlth. Sthn.	9⅞	9⅞	74 3/16	North Am. Co.	72⅜	71⅞	147 5/16	W. Union Tlg.	143	134
				78⅜	Pub. Serv. N.J.	76⅛	75¾				
	OILS.										
23 11/16	Atlantic Refin.	23	22¾	36 1/16	Shell	35	34⅛	56⅛	Standard N.J.	54½	54⅝x
45 7/16	Pan Amer. B	44⅛	44	8⅞	Shell Union	8⅝	8⅝	26¾	Do. N.Y.	26	25¾
11 1/16	Petroleum Corp.	10¾	10¼	14 3/16	Sinclair	13¾	13⅞	39⅝	Texas Corpn.	38½	39
42⅝	Royal Dutch	41⅜	41¼	52½	Stand. California	51	50¾x	10 1/16	Tri. Continental	9¾	8⅝

[Quotations from the "Sunday Times" New York Correspondent and Reuter's Agency.]

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES.

A recital will be given on the National programme this afternoon by Miriam Licette (soprano). In the evening the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard will make an appeal on behalf of the Asthma Research Council, while a programme of the music of the four nations, England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland, will be given by the Gershom Parkington Quintet and the Wireless Chorus.

NATIONAL (1,554.4 metres).

10.30-10.45 a.m.—Time and Weather.
3.0.—Church Cantata, No. 106, Bach, "Gottes Zeit ist Die Allerbeste Zeit" (God's Time is the Best); Mary Hamlin (soprano), Doris Owens (contralto), Bradbridge White (tenor), Keith Falkner (bass), Wireless Chorus.
3.45.—For the Children: Something to do on Sunday Evening, introduced by a talk on how the Gospels were made, by Miss Hetty Lee (Mrs. R. Holland).
4.0.—Missionary Talk: Work among the Deaf and Dumb in India, by Miss E. Morgan.
4.15.—Linda Seymour (contralto), Haydn Draper (clarinet), Reginald Paul (pianoforte).
5.15.—Recital by Miriam Licette (soprano).
5.45-6.15.—Science and Religion—8, by Rev. C. W. O'Hara, S.J.
6.30.—Service (in Welsh): Address by Rev. L. Idris Davies; Tom Davies (organist), relayed from The Siloh Congregational Church, Pentre, Rhondda.
8.0.—Service: Address by Bishop of Chichester, relayed from Parish Church of St. Andrew, Ferring, near Worthing.
8.45.—Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, Dean of Canterbury, appeals for Asthma Research Council.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—Gershom Parkington Quintet and Wireless Chorus in a programme of Music of England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland.
10.30.—Epilogue.

LONDON NATIONAL (261.3 metres).

3.0-6.15.—National.
8.0-10.30.—National.

LONDON REGIONAL (356.3 metres).

3.30.—Wireless Military Band; Leonard Gowings (tenor); Gladys Palmer (contralto).
5.0-5.15.—Bible Reading: The Letters of St. Paul—16: 1 Timothy, Ch. 4 and 5.
8.0.—Service: Address by Rev. Edwin W. Smith, from a studio.
8.45.—National.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—Orchestral Concert—4: B.B.C. Orchestra. Egon Petri (pianoforte).
10.30.—Epilogue.

MIDLAND REGIONAL (479.2 metres).

3.30.—Midland Studio Orchestra; Bernard Ross (baritone); Joyce Rollitt (pianoforte).
5.0-5.15.—London Regional.
8.0.—Service, conducted by Rev. J. T. Hodgson; Wesley Chapel Choir; relayed from Albert Hall, Nottingham.
8.45.—National.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—London Regional.
10.30.—Epilogue.

MANCHESTER (376.4 metres) and LEEDS (200 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 7.50.—Service, conducted by Dr. A. J. Grieve; Sacred Music by Northern Wireless Quartet. 8.45.—National. 9.5.—Northern Wireless Orchestra; Elsie Suddaby (soprano). 10.30.—Epilogue.

NEWCASTLE, LIVERPOOL, BRADFORD, SHEFFIELD, HULL, and STOKE-ON-TRENT (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 8.0.—National. 9.5.—London Regional. 10.30.—Epilogue.

CARDIFF (309.9 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 6.30.—Service (in Welsh): Address by Rev. L. Idris Davies; relayed from Siloh Congregational Church, Pentre, Rhondda. 8.0.—Service, from a Studio. 8.45.—National. 9.5.—National Orchestra of Wales; Percy Heming (baritone), relayed from Park Hall, Cardiff. 10.0.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue. 10.40-11.0.—Silent Fellowship.

SWANSEA (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 6.30.—Cardiff. 8.0.—National. 9.5.—London Regional. 10.30.—Epilogue. 10.40-11.0.—Cardiff.

BELFAST (242.3 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 6.45-8.0.—Service: Address by Rev. S. Newell-Rostron, relayed from St. James's Parish Church, Belfast. 8.45.—National. 9.5.—Symphony Orchestra: A J O'Farrell (baritone); Nancie Lord (violin). 10.30.—Epilogue.

BOURNEMOUTH (288.5 metres) and PLYMOUTH (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 8.0.—National. 9.5.—London Regional. 10.30.—Epilogue.

GLASGOW (398.9 metres) and ABERDEEN (301.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 8.0.—Service: Address by Rev. George F. MacLeod (relayed from Govan Parish Church). 8.45-9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

DUNDEE (288.5 metres) and EDINBURGH (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 8.0.—National. 9.5.—London Regional. 10.30.—Epilogue.

DUBLIN (413 metres).—8.30.—Dublin Trio. 8.50.—Constance Willis (contralto). 9.5.—Dublin Trio. 9.15.—Revuette by I.B.A. Revue Company. 9.45.—Jean Roper (contralto). 10.0.—Sponsored programme.

INTERESTING ITEMS THIS WEEK.

MONDAY.—6.40.—Schubert's Miscellaneous Pianoforte music, played by Johanne Stockmarr (also each evening).
7.45.—Vaudeville (Nat.).
8.35.—Chamber Music (London Reg.).
8.35.—"Stars of the Past" (Mid.).

TUESDAY.—8.0.—Sir James Jeans: "The Stars in their Courses." 9.40.—"Au Lapin Qui Saute" (Nat.).
7.0.—"Pelleas and Melisande" (London Reg. and Mid.).

WEDNESDAY.—3.30.—Symphony Concert from Bournemouth. 8.0.—B.B.C. Symphony Concert (Nat.).
9.40.—"Before the Party" (London Reg.).
9.15.—"From the Musical Comedies" (Mid.).

THURSDAY.—7.45.—Excerpt from a Concert by the Inverness Gaelic Musical Association. 8.25.—"Before the Party" (Nat.).
7.40.—Vaudeville Programme and golf. 9.0.—Choral and Orchestral Concert (London Reg.).
7.30.—Orchestral Concert (Mid.).

FRIDAY.—7.45.—"Pelleas and Melisande" (Nat.)
9.0.—Dutch National Programme (London Reg. and Mid.).

SATURDAY.—7.30.—Popular Concert. 9.35.—String Orchestral Programme (Nat.).
9.0.—Vaudeville (London Reg. and Mid.).
7.15.—Popular Celebrity Concert (Mid.).

FOREIGN FEATURES.

BERLIN (418 metres, 1.5 kw.).—2.25.—Sonata for Flute and Piano in A Minor Op. 11 (Kurt Thomas), composer at the Piano. 3.30.—Light Music. 7.0.—Orchestral Concert from the Bach-Saal.

BUDAPEST (550 metres, 23 kw.).—3.0.—Hungarian Song Recital. 5.25.—Concert by Tzigane Orchestra.

COPENHAGEN (281 metres, 1 kw.) and KALUNDBORG (1,153 metres, 10 kw.).—12.0 (noon).—English: Shakespeare. 7.15.—Emil Hartmann Recital Instrumental Concert. 8.15.—Danish Song Recital. 9.45.—Dance Music.

HILVERSUM (announced HUIZEN) (298.8 metres, 8.5 kw.).—2.10.—Orchestral Concert. 2.55.—Baarn Municipal Orchestra. 6.10.—Orchestral Music. 8.25.—Duet for Violin and Viola (Mozart). 9.10.—Concert.

LANGENBERG (473 metres, 17 kw.) and COLOGNE (227 metres).—7.5.—Orchestral Concert of Overtures and Waltzes, with Choral Selections. 9.20.—Dance Music.

MILAN (501 metres, 8.5 kw.) (Relayed by Turin, 273.2 metres).—6.30.—Concert of Light Music. 8.0.—Concert and Dance Music.

OSLO (1,071 metres, 75 kw.).—7.30.—Concert; Choral and Organ Selections, with soprano, mezzo-soprano, baritone and bass solos. 9.5.—Orchestral Concert.

PARIS (1,725 metres, 17 kw.).—5.30.—Concert from Sarah Bernhardt Theatre. 7.30.—Radio-Paris Circus. 8.45.—Radio-Paris Music Hall.

PRAGUE (487 metres, 5 kw.).—3.0.—Concert. 5.30.—"Tannhäuser," Opera (Wagner). 9.20.—Concert.

ROME (441 metres, 75 kw.) (Relayed by Naples, 332 metres).—4.0.—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 7.32.—Dance Music. 8.5.—"La Traviata," Opera (Verdi).

STOCKHOLM (436 metres, 75 kw.) and MOTALA (1,348 metres, 40 kw.).—6.50.—Concert from Works of Franz Schubert. 8.40.—Song Recital. 9.10.—Light Music.

TOULOUSE (385 metres, 8 kw.).—5.0.—Dance Music. 8.0.—Concert by a Viennese Orchestra. 8.30.—Violin Recital. 9.0.—Operetta Music. 10.0.—Hawaiian Guitar Music. 10.30.—Concert by Symphony Orchestra. Overture, "Egmont" (Beethoven). Selection from "Tiefland" (d'Albert). Hungarian March. Triumphal March from "Aïda" (Verdi). Liebesträume (Liszt). 11.0.—Dance Music.

VIENNA (516.3 metres, 20 kw.).—2.0.—Orchestral Concert of Viennese Music, with Vocal Interludes. 4.30.—Chamber Music. Piano Trio in B major (Brahms). Piano Trio in C major (Cassado). 6.0.—Josef Ponten in Programme of his own Works. 6.40.—Viennese Song Recital.

RUBBER UNCHANGED.

After opening at slightly higher levels, prices of rubber on the Mincing Lane market eased and closed unchanged. Spot and November finished at 4 7-16d., December 4½d., January-March 4 9-16d., April-June 4⅝d., July-September 4 15-16d., October-December 5 1-16d., and January-March 4 13-16d.

An increase of 1,700 tons is expected to be shown by the United Kingdom stock figures for the past week.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Rubber (outside).—Quiet but firmer. First Latex Crepe Spot, 9 1-8 buyers. Smoked Ribbed Sheets Spot, 9 1-8 buyers, 9 3-8 sellers; December, 9 1-8 buyers; January/February/March, 9½ buyers, 9 5-8 sellers. On Rubber Exchange of New York (closing) Contract "A."—Steady and unchanged. December 9.10, January 9.20, March 9.40, May 9.60, July 9.80, September 10.00. Sales, 10 lots.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS.

THE CHURCHES.

St. Paul's Cathedral.—10.30: Rev. A. B. Hancock: 3.15: Canon O. C. Quick; 7: Rev. B. J. Scott.

Westminster Abbey.—10.15: The Bishop of Sherborne; 3: Canon F. L. Donaldson; 6.30: Rev. A. Baines.

Southwark Cathedral.—11: Canon H. G. Monroe; 6.30: Rev. R. S. Mills.

Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace.—11.15: The Bishop of Southwark.

Royal Military Chapel, Wellington Barracks.—11: Rev. C. E. Chadwick; 6.30: Rev. H. G. Williamson.

Chapel of the Savoy.—11.15 and 6: Rev. H. B. Chapman.

All Hallows, Barking-by-the-Tower.—11: Rev. P. B. Clayton; 6.30: Rev. T. M. Garaway.

All Saints, Margaret Street.—11.30: Solemn Requiem for the Fallen; 6: Preb. H. F. B. Mackay.

St. Margaret's, Westminster.—11: Canon Carnegie; 7: Rev. E. Jervis.

Christ Church, Albany Street.—11: Parade Service, Royal Horse Guards Rev. R. S. Swann-Mason; 3.15: Children's Service; 6.30: Rev. W. V. Jones.

Christ Church, Down Street.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr. Farran.

Christ Church, St. Marylebone, Cosway Street.—11: Rev. W A. Potter; 11.30: Rev. E. J. Dent.

Priory Church of St. Bartholomew the Great, West Smithfield.—11: Address by Sir Alfred Hopkinson; 6.30: Musical Service.

St. Anne's, Soho.—11.30: Rev. H. Pearson; 6.30: Rev. B. G. Bourchier.

St. Ethelburga the Virgin, Bishopsgate, E.C.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr Geikie-Cobb.

St. George's, Hanover Square.—11: Archdeacon of Middlesex; 6.30: Rev. A. V. Dixon.

St. James's, Piccadilly.—11: Ven. C. E. Lambert; 6.15: Rev. A. L. Giles.

St. John's, Regent's Park.—11: Rev. S. Coleman. 6.30: Rev. W. A. Potter.

St. Martin-in-the-Fields.—11.30: M.P. 11.30: Service for Young People (Crypt). 3.30: People's Service. 6.15: E. S. 7.15: Address on "Japan," by the Rev. F. W. Rowlands.

St. Mary's, Bourdon Street.—11 and 6.30: Rev. G H. Colbeck.

St. Mary's, Bryanston Square.—11: Rev. A. E. N. Simms. 6.30: Rev. R. F. Rynd.

St. Marylebone Parish Church.—11: Rev. Dr. Morrison; 7: Mendelssohn's "Elijah."

St. Michael's Church, Chester Square.—11 and 6.30: Rev. W. H. Elliott.

St. Paul's, Knightsbridge.—11.15: Rev. H. M. Saunders. 3: Rev. L. J. Williams. 6.30: Rev. E. Hamilton.

Temple Church.—11: The Master.

Gray's Inn Chapel.—11.30: The Archbishop of York.

Lincoln's Inn Chapel.—11.15: Canon D. C. Simpson.

Brompton Parish Church.—11: Rev. H. H. Lowe. 6.30: Rev. H. S. Sard.

St. Mark's, North Audley Street.—11: Rev. H. H. Coryton. 6.30: Rev. E. Barnes.

Westminster Cathedral.—10.30: H.M. 12: L.M. and Sermon, Very Rev. J. McCarthy. O.S.M. 3.15: Vesp. and Ben. 7: Comp. Sermon and Ben., Rev. B. Whelan.

The Oratory, South Kensington.—10.45: H.M. 3.30: Vesp. and Ben.

Church of the Jesuit Fathers, Farm Street.—10.50: H.M.; 12: L.M., Rev. R. H. J. Steuart; 3.30: Rev. H. Browne.

Scottish National Church, Crown Court, Covent Garden.—11.15 and 6.30: Rev. J. Moffett.

Marylebone Presbyterian Church.—11 and 7: Rev. J. Golder Burns, B.D

St. Columba's (Church of Scotland), Pont Street, S.W.—11: Rev. Dr. A. Fleming; 6.30: Rev. I. R. Gillan.

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Allen Street, Kensington.—11: Rev. H. L. Moir; 6.30: Rev. W. P. Boyes.

St. John's Wood Presbyterian Church, Marlborough Place.—11 and 6.30. Rev Dr. Alexander.

Central Hall, Westminster.—11 and 7: Rev. D. T. Young; 3.30: Rev. P. M. Brumwell.

City Temple, Holborn Viaduct.—11 and 7: Rev. F. W. Norwood.

Westminster Congregational Church, Buckingham Gate, S.W.—11 and 7: Rev H. L. Simpson.

Kensington Chapel, Allen Street.—11 and 6.30: Rev. J. E. James.

Christ Church, Westminster Bridge Road.—11: and 7: Rev. G. E. Darlaston.

Guildhouse, Eccleston Square, S.W.1.—3.30: Lantern Lecture, Mr. J. D Johnston; 6.30: Rev. Malcolm Spencer.

Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St. John's Wood Road.—11.30: Rabbi S. E. Starrels, "Will the New Psychology Destroy Religion?"

Spiritualist Community, Grotrian Hall, 115, Wigmore Street, W.—11: Rev. Maitland; Clairvoyant, Miss Lily Thomas. 6.30: Mr. Harold Carpenter; Clairvoyant, Mr. Glover Botham.

Theistic Church, Æolian Hall, 135, New Bond Street.—11: Rev. J. Tyssul Davis; subject, "The Barretts of Wimpole Street."

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THE DRAMATIC WORLD.

BETWEEN TWO STOOLS.

By JAMES AGATE.

Prince of Wales. Monday, November 10.

"THE MAN WHO KISSED HIS WIFE."

A Comedy. By Donald Buckley.

Though, outside Nature, there may be nothing prettier than a wedding cake, prolonged contemplation of a shop-window full of these aids to matrimony is apt to grow tedious. So it is with some scenery. The whole action of this play takes place in one of those drawing-rooms thirty miles from London, in which it is always afternoon, and whose every wall, from skirting-board to cornice, is equally drenched by morning sunlight. There is no shade anywhere, not even under the chairs. Innumerable adjuncts to villegiatura abound, and the eye travels restlessly from chintz to china-cupboard, taking in that inevitable French window and that English staircase leading ineluctably to some bedroom situated in the middle of the tennis lawn. Stage-decoration of this order might very well be described as ordeal by prettiness.

The plot of the play is briefly this. Mrs. Lisden desires to get her elder daughter, Marjorie, off her hands. Marjorie is engaged to John Seacombe, whose mother appears to be a near relative of Lady Bracknell. Indeed, she exceeds that dragon in exigence since she demands that Marjorie shall produce *two* parents, which is awkward because Robert Lisden disappeared seven years earlier. To satisfy Lady Seacombe Mrs. Lisden advertises for her husband, who is promptly impersonated by a Mr. Woking, the suitor for her hand as soon as the absent Lisden may be presumed dead. Marjorie has a sister and a brother admittedly younger than herself, and we shall probably be safe in putting the ages of the three children at 18, 16, and 14, so that when their father disappeared they must have been 11, 9, and 7 respectively. Yet when the bogus father appears the children make no bones about accepting him as their authentic progenitor! There may, of course, have been some explanation of this which escaped me. I admit that it took some minutes to recover from the bedazzlement of the scene, and that while the mind was taking in the hunting trophies nailed to the old oak and covering the new parquet, it may have been explained that the children had for some educational reason or other never set eyes on their father even prior to his desertion of them. But would not their mother have had a photograph to show what the father was like? To insist on the point would be pernickety, since, as I have frequently stated, a farce has to be got going somehow, and we have to be got to the situation in which the real husband turns up and, discovering that Woking is impersonating him, decides to impersonate Woking.

Let it be said with some firmness that the point about such wilful comedies of error is not their initial probability, but their ultimate absurdity. The history of the theatre throughout the 'fifties, 'sixties, and 'seventies of the last century is honeycombed with meaningless little farces with such names as "The Return of Todgers" and "Tootle's Papa," dependent, as far as one can gather, on no better material than the play under notice. Such pieces have always been and must always be judged by two things only, the wit of their lines, and the capacity for buffoonery on the part of the actors.

Some Wit.

Mr. Buckley's piece is not entirely unwitty, granted that kind of small wit which is born with the footlights and dies with their extinction. Thus wit may be said to be hovering about when fourteen-year-old Frank, coming into the drawing-room with a cricket-bat, asks if his mother will bowl to him, and Mrs. Lisden, completely bowled over by the presence of the two men, confesses herself unable to bowl to anybody. Later on, Mrs. Lisden, expatiating on the tiger which she alleges was shot by her husband in Africa, is informed that the skin obviously comes from Bengal. "How stupid I am!" she declares. "I was referring to the skin in my bedroom!" Here Master Frank butts in: "But, Mummie, you haven't got a tiger-skin in your bedroom." "Nonsense, child," says his mother. "You haven't noticed it!" Whereupon the *enfant terrible* proceeds upstairs for the purpose of verification, and is promptly told to go into the garden and bowl to himself. A good deal of the dialogue, then, is not unfunny, and all of it has the saving grace of being devoid of mere facetiousness.

The play's failure to be riotously and continuously funny comes from the fact that the principal part is the wife. Now, buffoonery is not, and never can be, a property of leading ladies, who cannot descend lower in the comic scale than the lightest of light comedy, whence ensues the old difficulty of keeping the piece on one note. If the key be light comedy, as it must be when half of it consists of a lady's mannered perturbations, the men also must keep to that key. Contrariwise, in any play in which buffoonery is to have the upper hand there is no room for the airs and graces of a leading lady taking herself with comic seriousness. Whoever, then, is to produce and cast such a piece as Mr. Buckley's must choose between the pretty devil of graciousness and the deep sea of outrageous fooling, for he cannot have both. Actually the choice is made in favour of Miss Iris Hoey, who rattles along with extreme vivacity, but whose quandary can hardly engage our attention for a whole evening. As the two men Mr. Felix Aylmer and Mr. George Barraud contribute discreet accompaniment which is insufficiently entertaining, because these actors are not and do not pretend to be pure drolls. The opposite choice would have been for Mr. Walls to produce, and for him to cast Mr. Ralph Lynn and Mr. Robertson Hare as the two husbands, Mr. Kenneth Kove as the lover, and Miss Mary Brough either as the dowager of elephantine scruple or as the over-married lady herself! Alas that such a scheme of things must have excluded an actress of Miss Hoey's calibre altogether! As the piece is played it falls between two stools, as all plays must which invite us to smile at a theme proper for guffaws. This is not to say that skilful playing does not abound. It does; but it is of the sort better suited by another play.

Kingsway. Thursday, November 13.

"WOODEN SHOES."

A Play. Adapted by Beatrix Thomson from Ouida's "Two Little Wooden Shoes."

Dates are kittle things. It may be that, away from any book of reference, I am wrong about the date of Ouida. It is in my mind, however, that "Moths" was written before "The Woman Who Did," "The Yellow Aster," and "The Heavenly Twins," which makes its distinguished author pre-Dodo. But I am surely right in recollecting that, since there was no question of the authors of "Esther Waters" and "Tess," this writer with the dashing name stood first on the Index Expurgatorius devised by parents for inquisitive little boys. A casual travelling acquaintance of some antiquity being interrogated in this matter informed me that he remembered seeing a touring company perform "Moths" before an aghast audience in Walsall in 1890. This puts the writing of the novel some ten years earlier. Now there are some books which, like some dishes, should be consumed piping hot or not at all, and this would appear to be the case with Ouida's novels, for which the middle-aged playgoer of to-day has been too young and is now probably too old. It would appear, however, that the next generation will see Ouida in full swing again as a writer, "amusing" in the sense in which modern taste applies that word to wax flowers and horse-hair sofas. Indeed, it is only a few months since one of the high-brow reviews took the first solemn step towards rehabilitation. Whether the present revival is a similar portent is doubtful, the greater probability being that Miss Beatrix Thomson, who has made this sugary play, saw herself as its cloying heroine. And why not? For any competent actress this dewy nonsense is cast-iron, and Miss Thomson is more than competent.

"Wooden Shoes" could perhaps best be described in terms of all that the most characteristic novels of this writer are not. Here are no guardsmen and no *bévues*. An alternative title might be, "What Every Young Girl Wants to Know." Bebee demanded information to which common-sense might have supplied a sufficient answer. Where do larks go to when they vanish out of sight? What happens to the mouse taking refuge in the wainscoting? Why does the lily fold all her sweetness up? And so on, and so forth. Bebee, it should be explained, was a young Flemish peasant girl and the natural prey of a painter from Paris *en voyage*. He took Bebee for his model, and we spent a good deal of the first act watching him inwardly debate whether it was proper for so lovely a flower to blush unseen. He told Bebee of hedge-roses which had been transplanted by their admirers to the gay parterre of the Opera in Paris. "And do they marry them?" Bebee asked. "Sometimes," replied the painter. Here Bebee shook a wise head and adduced another reason why the gay world affrighted her. She would have to wear fine lace, and as a cottager she knew too well how that lace was a matter of "Stitch! stitch! stitch! In poverty, hunger, and dirt," though the spick and span stage-setting at the Kingsway and the well-scrubbed, well-fed faces of the lace-makers obviously attested the contrary. As the curtain fell on this act we reflected that Bebee was too good to live.

The remainder of the play was devoted to her very nearly dying. For in Act Two the painter, having got compunction, had returned to Paris, whence news had arrived of his having fallen into a galloping consumption. This sent Bebee cantering to that city with much clatter of footwear, to find on arrival that her idol was comporting himself as one in rude health, which sent the maid trudging back to recline on a sofa in Act Three in a fit of phthisis or whatever it is which deprives maudlin young ladies of the power of speech. However, a fiddler had played to Bebee in her cradle, and perhaps this would revive her now. So a nonagenarian went to fetch his instrument, and Bebee demanded that her wooden shoes should be sent to her faithless painter. After which, perhaps as a result of having got rid of her shoe-complex, she decided to recover and marry the local Adam Bede, a clod-hopper who had been planting beetroots or something of the sort at intervals throughout the play. This was rather hard on the nonagenarian, whose fiddle was not wanted after all. The final curtain fell, however, without bothering about him.

This "fragrant" story has been very well transferred to the stage by Miss Thomson, who almost dies prettily and pathetically enough. Her performance throughout is one of ability and charm, and that playgoing taste should prefer to see a good actress as a sentimental little goose instead of, say, Hedwig in "The Wild Duck" is, after all, not her fault. In any sane order of things an actress of Miss Thomson's powers would not be permitted to throw herself away on the purely infantile. Mr. George de Warfaz plays the painter with grace and a foreign accent which merely adds to the difficulties of the other ladies in an all-English cast. Mesdames Margaret Halstan and Prudence Vanbrugh strive womanfully and with some success to put Flemish stubborns on the stage, and it would be uncritical to ignore entirely, since my colleagues have praised it, the portrait by another actress of a Flemish beldam.

Little. Tuesday, November 11.

"THE UNKNOWN WARRIOR."

Revival of Paul Raynal's Play in the English Version by Cecil Lewis.

Playgoers have probably made up their minds about this piece. My own view is that all that is wrong with it is the title. There cannot have been many soldiers, even among a race so complicatedly amorous as the French, who returned from the trenches to find that their sweethearts had grown tired of them, had taken to mothering their fathers, but were, nevertheless, willing to perform the duties, without feeling the ardours, of a spouse. That so abnormal a case should be presented as typifying the generality of soldiers must always horrify many people, and I myself frankly confess to a feeling with regard to the play's title which is little short of resentment. Ignore the title, and the play is seen to be, as everybody by this time knows, a work of singularly fine quality. Mr. Maurice Browne and Miss Rosalinde Fuller repeat their extremely moving performances, and the part of the father is now in the hands of that sensitive actor Mr. Lawrence Hanray.

The revival is the first venture of the new London Theatre Company, which has been established in order to present plays and entertainments of distinction, with a West End company, under West End conditions. It is hoped to build up a permanent organisation similar to that of the New York Theatre Guild, though the performances will be open, like those of any other theatre, to the general public. Each play will be run for a short period only, and will then be transferred to another West End theatre or taken off to make room for a new play. New plays are promised by, among others, Messrs. Beverley Nichols, Clifford Bax, and Marc Connelly, and the catholicity of the enterprise is proved by the fact that the second production will be a revue, entitled "Caviare." Let us hope that this doesn't turn out to be anything of the sort!

WITH THE AMATEURS.

The concluding performance took place last night of Frank Vosper's play "Murder on the Second Floor," given at the Scala Theatre by the Stock Exchange Dramatic and Operatic Society. The principals who took charge of the leading parts were Mr. Vivian Hart and Mr. John Cohen, as Hugh Bromilow and Joseph Reynolds respectively, each part being carried through in an adequate manner. Miss Pauline Morland was good as Sylvia. The role of the maid was cleverly played by Miss Hilda Cape, whose performance showed considerable ability. The high standard of this Society is well known, and the production was well worthy of their undoubted talent. Proceeds of the performances go to charities.

"The New Moon" will be produced from December 9 to 13. G. P.

"The Playboy of the Western World" finishes its run at the Criterion on Saturday; it will be succeeded on the following Tuesday by a revival of "General John Regan," one of Hawtrey's successes, which was last seen at the Apollo in 1913. Mr. Fred O'Donovan will play Hawtrey's old part. Another revival, that of Dryden's "Marriage à la Mode" at the Royalty, has been put on there only for a limited run of four weeks.

"Eldorado" at Daly's and "Lucky Dip" at the Comedy were both withdrawn last night. "Eldorado" goes to Golders Green to-morrow and to Streatham the following Monday, with the original cast, except that Miss Betty French will replace Mimi Crawford. "Little Tommy Tucker" opens at Daly's on Wednesday. The next production at the Comedy will be "Twelve Hours," by the author of "The Cat and the Canary." The scene is laid in a hunting lodge in the mountains, and the characters are all, or most of them, engaged in pursuing an elusive diamond. They will be played by Mr. Eric Maturin, Mr. Douglas Burbidge, Mr. Torin Thatcher, Miss Martita Hunt, and Miss Barbara Hoffe, among others. Mr. Reginald Bach produces.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

THIS WEEK'S PREMIERES.

Nov. 17.—Cambridge: "On the Spot" (transfer).
Nov. 19.—Daly's: "Little Tommy Tucker." Gate: "The River."
Nov. 20.—Wyndham's: "The Mouthpiece." Players: "Undiscovered Country."
Nov. 23.—Arts: "Sturm in Wasserglas" (J. T. Grein's Cosmopolitan Theatre).

The People's Theatre will open at the Fortune on Tuesday week with "The Man from Blankley's." In the cast will be Mr. Huntley Wright, Mr. Sam Livesey, Mr. H. O. Nicholson, Mr. Wilfred Fletcher, Mr. Frederick Lloyd, Mr. Martin Walker, Mr. Shayle Gardner, Miss Ethel Warwick, Miss Margaret Scudamore, Miss Vera Beringer, Miss Laura Smithson, Miss Sydney Farebrother, Miss Dorothy Cheston, Miss Pauline Sitwell, Miss Pamela Carme, Miss Ursula Millard, and Miss Jean Wrangham. Miss Nancy Price will be too busy for the first few productions to play herself. The Faculty Theatre, in Piccadilly, will open to-morrow week. The productions of the season will be chosen from a list including "Rosmersholm," "House Full," by Anthony Armstrong, "The Sulky Fire," by Jean-Jacques Bernard, "The Amateur Communist," by W. Kingsley-Tarpey, "The Country Wife," "The Pleasure Garden," "These Women," by Ralph Neale, "Fools in Mortar," adapted from the novel by Doris Leslie, and "Made to Measure," a Christmas revue.

"On the Spot" will be transferred to the Cambridge Theatre to-morrow, with Mr. Charles Laughton, Miss Gillian Lind, Miss Janet Megrew, Mr. Dennis Wyndham, and Mr. Ben Welden remaining in the cast. The part of Angelo, the "secretarial gunman," will now be played by Mr. Carol Reed, as Mr. Emlyn Williams is to appear in "The Mouthpiece," which opens at Wyndham's on Thursday. Miss Margaret Bannerman and Mr. W. Cronin-Wilson have the principal parts in this piece. Also in the cast are Miss Mabel Terry-Lewis, Mrs. Somerset, Miss Dora Lennox, Mr. John Turnbull, Mr. James Raglan, Mr. Grosvenor North, Mr. Neville Brooke, Mr. Douglas Payne, and Mr. Julian Andrews. The action of the play, which, as usual, Mr. Wallace is rehearsing and producing himself, takes place in a hotel overlooking the Danube and in Charles Stuckey's office overlooking the Thames. Charles Stuckey is a lawyer, played by Mr. Cronin-Wilson.

A new farce, "Marry the Girl," will be put on at the Aldwych next week, "A Night Like This" having been withdrawn yesterday. The new piece is by Mr. George Arthurs and Mr. Arthur Miller—not, for once, by Mr. Ben Travers. This does not mean that Mr. Travers has abandoned the Aldwych management, but simply that at the moment he has no farce ready for performance; thus for the first time since "The Cuckoo in the Nest," the Aldwych will be without a Ben Travers play. The cast of the new production includes Mr. Ralph Lynn, Miss Winifred Shotter, Miss Doreen Bendix, Miss Ethel Coleridge, Miss Mary Brough, Mr. Dennis O'Neil, Mr. Philip Carlton, Mr. Sydney Lynn, Mr. J. Robertson Hare, Mr. Archibald Batty, Mr. George Barrett, and Mr. Tom Walls. The scenes are laid in the Temple and in the Law Courts.

Mr. Cochran is hoping to avoid a clash with the Aldwych production, but the expenses of "Evergreen" are, he says, so heavy that he "dare not delay opening a day." The Adelphi Theatre, according to Mr. Cochran's contract, should be handed over to him to-morrow with the stage and auditorium completely equipped and free of workmen. If this is done he hopes to get a dress rehearsal on Friday, and when he has seen this he will announce the opening date on the following day. The Adelphi revolving stage is already in working order; without it the production would be impossible, as all the scenes of the play "could not be set and struck in thirty-six hours of continuous work." "If I make enough money out of 'Evergreen' at the Adelphi," says Mr. Cochran, "my second production will, I hope, be a spectacular production of one of Shakespeare's best pageant plays."

The reconstruction of the Victoria Palace in preparation for Mr. Archibald de Bear's "Chelsea Follies" will start to-morrow. Meanwhile the new production is in rehearsal. It has a definite "book," written by Mr. Reginald Arkell and Mr. de Bear himself, with additional lyrics and sketches by Mr. Reginald Berkeley, Mr. A. P. Herbert, Miss Ethel Mannin, and others, and with music by a number of composers, including Mr. Wolseley Charles, Mr. Billy Mayerl, Mr. Harry Pepper, Mr. Geoffrey Gwyther, Mr. Jack Strachey, and Mr. Alfred Reynolds. An original scheme of stage décor, designed by Mr. Clifford Pember, is to be used for the first time in this production. The opening night at the Victoria Palace is fixed for December 17.

"Douaumont" finished at the Gate last night; it will be followed on Wednesday by "The River," of Max Halbe, translated by Christopher Sandeman. The action takes place in a house on the banks of the Vistula, and Mr. Wilfred Walter, Mr. Michael MacOwan, Mr. George Bancroft, and Miss Ruth Taylor play the principal parts. Mr. Arthur Goullet, Miss Margaret Chatwin, and Miss Irene Freeman are also in the cast. The play will be produced by Mr. Esme Percy, and will be the first Gate Theatre production not staged by Peter Godfrey, who is busy directing a talkie.

The next production of the Incorporated Stage Society, "The Borrowed Life," by Gladys Parrish, will be given on December 14 and 15, instead of December 7 and 8, as originally intended. Mr. Komisarjevsky is unfortunately abroad and unable to produce the play, but Mr. Esme Percy has been induced to take his place. "The Borrowed Life" is inspired by the latter part of Turgeniev's life, when he was living in Paris with the family of the singer Viardot Garcia.

"A Murder Has Been Arranged," which was given by the Repertory Players last Sunday, is being put on at the St. James's Theatre on Wednesday week. Mr. Henry Kendall and Miss Margaretta Scott (who has been playing Mrs. Fraser's daughter-in-law at the Haymarket, but who has been released by the courtesy of the management) will remain in the principal parts.

"The Merton Floats," the dramatic society of Merton, which was revived last year, is to produce Massinger's "New Way to Pay Old Debts" on December 3, 4 and 5. Sir Nigel Playfair will produce, assisted by Mr. Wilfred Fletcher, and the cast will include Miss Hermione Baddeley and Miss Renee de Vaux.—Another dramatic society, that of Birkbeck College, London University, is giving "The School for Scandal" on Friday and Saturday next.—At the Everyman Theatre Guild Gambol to-night, Mr. Lawrence Hanray will appear as Disraeli in Laurence Housman's "Queen Victoria."

When Mr. Andre Charlot produces "Wonder Bar" at the Savoy on December 1 the company will include Miss Dorothy Dickson, Mr. Carl Brisson, Miss Elsie Randolph, Miss Norah Blaney, Miss Gwen Farrar, Mr. Joseph Greenwald, and Miss Enid Stamp-Taylor. Other members of the cast will be Mr. Terry Irvine, a well-known club cocktail-shaker; Giovanni, the "pickpocket"; Mr. Arthur Rosebery and his band, Messrs. Cecil Parker and Spencer Trevor (released from "The House of Danger"), Mr. Dick Francis, Mr. Reginald Smith, Miss Gertrude Musgrove and Mr. George Benson (Mr. Charlot's two R.A.D.A. "finds"), Mr. William Cavanagh, and Miss Moyra Gillis.

D. P.

FILM NOTES.

"ANYBODY'S WOMAN."

By SYDNEY W. CARROLL.

The Plaza's latest talking picture stars that brilliant creature Ruth Chatterton. Need I say more? Here is an actress if ever there was one, vigorous, gentle, emotional, reposeful, individual, versatile, volcanic or charming, just at her own sweet will. In "Anybody's Woman" Miss Chatterton plays a theatre character with dubious beginnings, a troubled career, and a happy ending. Do not imagine that her nature prompts the title of the play or, like the agreeable rascals who try her virtue ineffectually, you will experience a rude awakening. No; this particular young woman is as chaste as the stars, despite sundry attempts upon her peace of mind by her husband's friends. The story concerns the consequences of too much strong liquor and a resulting marriage. The dramatic tangle provides for the usual twist of husband and wife quarrelling and finally coming together. Clive Brook is a most natural drunkard, Paul Lukas a most fascinating foreigner, and Juliette Compton an attractive divorcee. The story, supplied by Gouveneur Morris, holds its audience interested throughout; the direction, by Dorothy Arzner, the young woman who was responsible for "Sarah and Son," is particularly skilful; the dialogue, written by Zoe Atkins, is concise and full of smart touches; and altogether the picture is one that can strongly be recommended for sophisticated filmgoers.

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The educational film, happily, is still with us in its most absorbing and entertaining form. At the Alhambra a U.F.A. picture called "The Mystery of Life" tells in filmic simplicity and directness the great narrative of evolution and of the biological processes through which man has sprung into being. It shows the struggle for the survival of the fittest, how the eternal fight for existence continues through the ages, and the development of life from its lowest forms to the highest. We see the origin of worlds, the growth of cells, the specialisation and adaptation of animals, primitive man, etc. A marvellous and scientific picture.

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The Empire has a good double bill this week. The main item is one of Fred Niblo's Wild West Arizona comedies, produced before he made "Ben Hur." William Haines has to work very hard and lead a dog's life on a ranch for the sake of a pretty girl, played effectively by Leila Hyams. The Hopi Indians, snake-worshippers, are introduced into the action. The title of this talkie, most of whose scenes are in the open air, is "Way Out West," and in the cast are Polly Moran, Cliff Edwards, Francis X. Bushman, jun., and Vera Marsh. The sensation scene is a dust storm in the desert.

The second film is British, and has admirable dialogue by Edgar Wallace; it provides a dramatic problem under the title of "Should a Doctor Tell?" Basil Gill plays the part of a medical man who refuses in the divorce court to tell a secret confided to him by a patient. He subsequently finds himself unable to expose the same secret confided to him professionally by a girl who has become his son's fiancée. Norah Baring, Maurice Evans, Clare Greet, Gladys Jennings, and Walter Sondes lend able support.

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At the Film Society's show to-day at the Tivoli will be given "The Passion of Joan of Arc," a French picture, in which Mlle. Falconetti, M. Silvain (of the Comédie Française), and other distinguished French actors and actresses appear under the direction of Carl Th. Dreyer. It is an attempt to render on the screen the spiritual sufferings of Joan of Arc during her trial and condemnation. The photography is frequently beautiful, though there is a predominant use of the close-up that tends to monotony.

Other items on the programme are Schufftan shots illustrative of the technical processes of silent and talking picture-making; "Conquest," a British propaganda film, shown by courtesy of the Empire Marketing Board; and "Don Dongio," an Associated Sound Film Industries production, directed by J. Elder Wills. This is a picture of marionettes.

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A provisional agreement has been arranged under which the film productions of Pro Patria and British Instructional Pictures will be distributed through British International Pictures, Ltd.

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There is no change at the Tivoli, where "Whoopee" is in its fourth week. None either at the New Gallery with "On Approval" in its third week. The Marble Arch Pavilion also continues to hold its own with "Old English" and George Arliss, also in the fourth week. These absences of change prove the good business now being done in West End houses with good entertainments. At the Capitol pretty Helen Twelvetrees will be seen in an underworld melodrama of Havana called "Her Man," the New Victoria revives "The Big House," and the Astoria "Three Faces East."

ART GALLERIES.

BEAUX ARTS GALLERY, Bruton Place, W. CHARLES CONDER and AMBROSE McEVOY. Exhibition of Paintings and Water-colours. Louise Wood WRIGHT: Paintings of Mallorca.

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THEATRES.

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STRAND. Tem. Bar 2660. Proprietor, Kyrle Bellew. Evgs., 8.30; Mats., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. (Smoking.) "IT'S A BOY." A New Farce. LESLIE HENSON, Connie Ediss, Austin Melford, SYDNEY HOWARD.

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THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

HUGO WOLF AND THE SONG.

By ERNEST NEWMAN.

The three songs that John McCormack sang at last Monday's concert of the L.S.O.—"Neue Liebe," "Schlafendes Jesuskind," and "Wo find ich Trost"—are not Wolf at his very greatest; but they are fine specimens of his genius for all that, and they had the advantage, for Monday's purpose, of existing in an orchestral form. Whether they are finally improved by the instrumentation it is difficult to say. Certainly some of the expressive points in the songs acquire a new poignancy when reinforced by the volume and the variety of colour of the orchestra. But they were conceived in the first place in terms of the piano, which was Wolf's own instrument; and of those of us into whose very blood and being the songs have entered in that form are more often than not perturbed by the translation of them into another colour medium. The prelude to the second song, for instance, derives much of its curious veiled effect from the slow succession of pianissimo open octaves in the right hand. This colour, and the emotional suggestion that goes with it, can be obtained nowhere but on the piano, and nowhere on the piano but in that particular register; the phrase is very lovely when given out by the strings, but for me, at any rate, the mood is no longer that of the original conception of the song. And when we remember how unified Wolf's conceptions were, the almost infallible way in which his sub-consciousness realised itself in every detail of a song, some of us cannot help feeling that, on the whole, Wolf loses more than he gains by being transferred to the orchestra.

CAVIARE TO THE GENERAL.

No audience could possibly fail to be moved by such exquisite singing as John McCormack gave to these songs; and his great success with them on Monday suggested that he could easily afford to put his colleens and his bhoys into cold storage for a time and reveal some of the treasures of Wolf to audiences that know little about him. It is no secret that Wolf's songs are the passion of the private life of this consummate artist; and evidently they are worth singing them as he does. But I am hardly optimistic as to the rapid spread of Wolf's popularity among the multitude. He is too much for the crowd, either of plain musical men or of writers upon music. Wolf does not merely call for close study. He makes exceptional demands on the skill and the intelligence of both singer and accompanist. He can be thoroughly understood only in German; adequate translation is frankly impossible in the case of ninety-five per cent. of the songs.

And to crown all, he calls for a special kind of musical mind on the part of those who would enter into his kingdom. The bulk of the unintelligent writing about Wolf—and some of it has been very unintelligent—has its origin in the pure constitutional inability of many of his critics to think along his peculiar musical-poetic lines. One would not, under ordinary circumstances, reproach them for this, any more than one reproaches a blind man for not being able to appreciate Velasquez; one merely objects to their setting a man of Wolf's stature that his ideal of the song is a wrong one for no better reason than that it is an ideal they are constitutionally unfitted to comprehend.

CONFLICTING CURRENTS.

Ever since European music began, there have been two opposing currents in vocal music. The more primitive impulse of the song writer is to make the words secondary; he makes them fit themselves to the shape and the articulation of certain standardised musical metres. A beautiful song melody projected on these lines is equally beautiful if played on an instrument, for the sequences of notes, the length of the phrases, the balance of key-relationships, and so on, are determined in the main by the musical sense alone, which forces the words to do its imperious bidding, even at the cost of the frequent surrender of their own special rights. But in one age after another—the process has gone on since the days of plain-song—the words re-assert their rights; and composers who are particularly sensitive to poetic suggestion and to verbal accent, scansion and rhythm, aim at a type of vocal music in which the claims of music and speech can be reconciled.

I am aware that in the bastard æsthetic of to-day there is much talk about a myth called "pure" music, any influence upon a composer's imagination of suggestions "external" to "music" being regarded as merely a surrender to a most reprehensible form of original sin. I have not the space here to examine this transparent fallacy in detail; I will content myself with the mere statement that it appeals only to people who are fundamentally incapable of doing any sustained thinking upon the complex phenomena of musical æsthetic. For our present purpose we can leave abstract musical æsthetic on one side—hardly the first foundation stone of this difficult science has so far been laid—and confine ourselves to patent facts. And one patent fact is that from time to time some of the strongest and subtlest minds in music have put the whole weight of their thinking into this problem of giving equal rights to the words and the music in song and opera.

SCHÖNBERG AND SCHUBERT.

In an article he wrote in 1914, Schönberg, in an attempt to discredit, for his own special purposes, the claims of the poem to respectful treatment, told the world that he had discovered, to his astonishment, that he had no idea what the poems of many of the best-known Schubert Lieder were about. The only comment we can make upon that is that it was not very intelligent of him. In any case, because Schönberg or anyone else chooses, in order to support his dubious personal æsthetic, to approach the vast problem of the union of music and words in this ridiculous way, there is no reason why the rest of us, who do not labour under his intellectual limitations, should blindly follow him.

Schubert himself, though as a rule he handled a poem in the most unscrupulous way so as to get free play for his lovely formal melodies, frequently reached out into the future, breaking up the set scheme of the instrumentally conceived melody in order to give a specially significant word or phrase its intellectual due. In the exquisite "Der Einsame," for instance, after having, in the first stanza, played ducks and drakes with the poet's form to secure complete licence for his own self-evolving melody, in the second stanza he makes the vocal line "give" to the sense of the words. You can play the vocal melody of the first stanza on a violin, and it will lose not a shred of its beauty or its meaning. But the vocal line of the second stanza would have no meaning at all on a violin; it is broken up into ejaculations to which meaning and justification are given by words alone.

WOLF'S METHOD.

What Schubert does here and elsewhere by way of departure from his normal practice is simply what Wolf does systematically. The thought of putting the poem upon a Procrustes bed in order to make its cramped and tortured limbs fit a pre-conceived musical scheme is abhorrent to him. He will phrase the words as any intelligent being would speak them; and at the same time he will build up beautiful and expressive music.

It is evident that the realisation of an ideal of this kind calls not only for an imagination of a special kind but for a craftsmanship of a special order and a special power. The sciolist fancies that all that Wolf does is to conceive a self-subsistent piece for the piano and then write in the words at irregular intervals with no concern but to ensure the correct "declamation" of them. It is no use arguing with people who think like that about Wolf; the mere fact that they can think like that shows that their cast of mind has made them completely insensitive to a combined poetic and musical imagination of Wolf's type, and completely unable to perceive the thousand subtleties of craftsmanship—and craftsmanship not for its own academic sake, but as the blood and bones and nerves of an organic idea—with which the student of Wolf, to his endless joy, is so familiar. Those of us who have come under Wolf's spell have no desire to try to bring under it those whose whole constitution of mind makes them inappreciative of these blended subtleties of imagination and technique; all we ask of them is that they shall not try to elevate their own musical and poetic limitations into a norm for the whole world.

Wolf's vogue suffers somewhat because, like Wagner, he is useless for "teaching" purposes; his methods are too fluid, too infinitely varied, too organically a part of his conception, to be reduced to rule for the benefit of professors and the innocent lambs of students who go to them to be taught "composition." The things you can "teach" in song-writing are academic simplicities of the type of those rhapsodised about by Stanford in his analysis of Brahms's "An ein Bild"—the sort of thing that any professor can teach, because that is what he himself has been taught, and any student can learn. If all composers were of the type of the two master-craftsmen Wagner and Wolf, the conservatoires would soon have to shut up shop! The reader will get a further idea of what I mean if he will turn to the innocent remarks of Stanford (on pages 34 to 36 of his book) on what he imagines to be the secret of Wagner's methods. Stanford kindly offers to show the trusting student "the best lines to take in developing a melody." I should like to give one of our present Stanfords the opening melody of, say, Wolf's "Der Jäger," in association with the words, and see what sort of a work of art this "teacher of composition" would produce by "developing" it along "the best lines."

THE WEEK'S MUSIC

L.S.O. Concert.

The art of programme-making seems to have been lost so far as London is concerned; this season we mostly get either programmes too much in the one vein, and that a rather thick one, or programmes made up of materials too incongruous to mix. We had a queer packet of all sorts at the L.S.O. concert on Monday. John McCormack, in addition to the Hugo Wolf songs mentioned in the preceding column—they were described as "Irish songs" in the notice of one of the more richly imaginative of my colleagues—turned his great technical skill upon a rather difficult aria from "The Mount of Olives." After a Vivaldi concerto that found out all the weak spots in the strings, and a performance of the Siegfried Idyll in which Mengelberg showed once more his curious inability to leave a plain straightforward tempo to speak for itself, we had Kodaly's "Hary Janos" suite. It seemed a little brainless at first, coming immediately after the Idyll as it did, but its simple charm and good spirits soon won us over. We have heard better performances of it, however, at the Promenades. We had another Dutch novelty in the shape of a Sinfonietta by Wagenaar, a 36-year-old composer who is now settled, I believe, in America. The Sinfonietta is commendably brief judged by the stop-watch, but too long for what is in it. The first movement seems to be a bit of leg-pulling at the expense of the classical symphony; and as the guying is done with a good deal of cleverness it is quite good fun. But when this is over the brains have gone out of the thing, and the rest is merely tiresome. We know too little in this country about modern Dutch music; surely the two feeble works that Mengelberg has introduced to us at this season's concerts are not representative of it at its best. If they are, we shall have to alter the eighteenth century distich to suit the case:—

In matters of music the fault of the Dutch
Is thinking too little and talking too much.

But perhaps Mengelberg is keeping the best of his compatriots' wine for the end of the feast.

Philharmonic Society.

Mr. Julian Clifford made an excellent impression at his first appearance in Queen's Hall on Thursday. He is just a little inclined to over-do nuance, especially in simple classical works like the Haydn symphony in G. But the exaggeration comes from a laudable desire—to give these old works the vitality they must have had for the men who wrote them and the men who first listened to them; and better this by far than the smooth and bloodless reading of the classics that some of the continental conductors give us. Conductors like Sir Thomas Beecham and Mr. Clifford do us a service in reminding us that these "old" composers were men of like flesh and blood to ourselves; and better a slightly overdone carefulness in the matter of nuance than Haydn and Mozart and Beethoven as played by the type of conductor or pianist whom Walter Bache described as a refined classical artist, Anglice a wooden-headed brute." Mr. Clifford's rhythm is at once firm and flexible, and he has an excellent sense of style in points of detail. Over a large area his imagination does not work quite so surely; the Scriabine "Poème de l'Extase" was less effective than usual because the climax was held back too long. The curious power of the work comes precisely from the fact that it is a long series of climaxes, each one of which recedes just before it attains its completion.

Of Honegger's "Rugby" we had a sprightly performance. There is a good deal of exhilaration to be had from the clashing tone-masses of the work; but when we come down to the brass tacks of the purely musical thinking in it we are left with pretty poor stuff. I feel, however, that a mere musical critic ought not to be left alone to deal with a programme like that of Thursday. One of our football critics should have been deputed to deal with the "Rugby"; while the proper person to disclose the true inwardness of the bluely-flickering eroticism in the "Poème de l'Extase" would be one of the hard-boiled debutantes of La Maison Tellier.

Mr. Antoni Sala's reading of the solo part of Elgar's 'cello concerto did not do the work justice. It was not merely that his tone was insufficiently full and warm; his thin sentiment narrowed the intellectual range of the music.

Hamilton Harty Concert.

The audience at Queen's Hall at the first of the Hamilton Harty concerts on Friday represented the pick of London's musical culture. The attraction was in part Sir Hamilton and his Hallé Orchestra—both of whom are held in high esteem in London—partly the all-Berlioz programme: it really looks as if, in the transvaluation of musical values that has taken place during the last few years, this Berlioz is at last coming into his own. His originality is very much to the taste of the present generation. In all Thursday's music there was not a bar that suggested any other composer before or after him; and I know of no other composer in the whole history of music of whom that could be said after a whole evening devoted to his works. Berlioz had hardly any ancestry, and he has had no posterity.

The forces on the platform were not always adequate to the terrific demands made by the Requiem Mass. The tenors of the chorus and the violins were sometimes weak; and the women's voices were quite inaudible, where I sat, in the famous passage in the Agnus Dei, in which they prolong pianissimo the chords of the wood wind. But all in all the performance was an expressive one; all the skilled leading and careful rehearsal that the work received. The one unforgivable thing was the mutilation of the exquisite Sanctus. After the interval we had rousing performances of the "Carnaval romain" overture, of the Hungarian March, of an arrangement of the Trojan March music from "Les Troyens," and of the incomparable Chasse Royale from that great opera. In the Marches the doubled or tripled brass made an overwhelming effect. Mr. Parry Jones, who had sung as much of the solo of the Sanctus as we were allowed to hear, gave us two of the "Nuits d'été" songs, not, unfortunately, with Théophile Gautier's words, but in a poor English translation. The songs were sung in quite the wrong way, but even so the "Absence" established itself as one of the most beautiful of the world's songs. It should never be sung, however, except with the orchestra. It is the study of Berlioz in piano versions that is answerable for much of the current misunderstanding of him. Original in this respect as in every other, he was the first composer really and truly to think in terms of the orchestra, and of the orchestra alone. No other composer "translates" so badly into the piano.

By Wireless.

At Sunday's concert of the B.B.C. Orchestra under Sir Henry Wood we had Hindemith playing his first viola concerto, and a performance of the concert version of his overture to "Neues vom Tage," the ending being altered by the addition of the dance from the third act. The first concerto is a better work than the second, which we heard a week or two ago; there is more point in the nimble, chattering figures and the free counterpoint. The "Neues vom Tage" overture shows us Hindemith at his brightest. The whole opera, indeed, is great fun. I would urge it upon the attention of the Covent Garden Syndicate for next season, were it not that I feel that the delicate scruples that jibbed at the nigger love-maker of "Jonny spielt auf" would faint at the scene of the lady in the bath.

The Music Society.

Space fails me for more than the briefest mention of the Music Society's concert on Tuesday. Some new songs by Bernard Van Dieren and the first performance of some old songs by Frederic Austin—"Love's Philosophy," a cycle for medium voice (John Goss), piano (the composer), and string quartet (the International String Quartet)—were spoiled by the lack of anything like a proper focus between the various forces. Either Mr. Goss's voice does not agree with the curious crypt-like hall of St. John's Institute, or the hall does not agree with his voice; he sounded muffled, and the consistent inability of the singer and the instrumentalists to agree on the subject of pitch was not only distressing in itself but made it difficult for an audience hearing the songs for the first time to deduce the harmonies and the part-weaving that the composer intended from the sounds it actually heard. But one knows from the score that Mr. Austin's songs are finely conceived and finely realised, while even through a faulty performance the piquancy of the third of the Van Dieren songs—a setting of Heine's "Doch die Kastraten klagten"—made itself felt at once. E. N.

Bach with a Vengeance.

All six of Bach's Brandenburg concertos, plus two arias, packed into one programme and played, as to the *tutti*, by a body at least four times as big as the small court orchestra for which they were written: this is the same idea that has made the Handel Festival what it is. And, undertaken by the adept personnel of the B.B.C. Orchestra, with Sir Henry Wood in command, it proved an infallible draw at Queen's Hall on Wednesday. In practice the scheme was less indigestible than might have been feared, and there were many thrilling moments, though the thrill usually had a sensual rather than an intellectual basis.

No. 3, which came at the end, and for which the players stood, endured the magnification best. In No. 6, at the beginning, the strings had not yet played themselves in: intonation was open to suspicion, here and there, and the treatment was too heavy. No. 1 brought, in the Polacca that occurs in the concluding Menuetto, one—and perhaps the most striking—of many enchanted moments, though elsewhere in this concerto the finish of the soloists was not quite ideal.

The merry No. 4 opened with great brightness and delicacy, but the heaviness when all hands were laid to the strings, as at the close of the first movement, was quite foreign to the prevailing character, and entailed sudden quenchings to give the solo violin and flutes a chance. No. 2 went fairly well, except that the modern trumpet proved a difficult horse to drive. It was when Harold Samuel took his place at the piano for No. 5 (and how incredibly its true tone was revealed by the bodily removal of the lid: this should be the invariable rule at Queen's Hall!) that the proper spirit descended upon the proceedings. Meaning no disrespect to the other soloists of the evening, who all rose nobly to the demands imposed on them by such a programme, this event alone fully justified a somewhat grandiose adventure. Arthur Catterall and Robert Murchie immediately recognised the intellectual appeal, and participated in it. Keith Falkner's arias, one with limpid oboe d'amore obbligato by Leon Goossens, were sung, for once, with neutral rather than positive virtue. All in all, what was most strikingly demonstrated was the high quality of the strings in the B.B.C. orchestra.

Recital Notes.

In view of the recent lamented death of B. Patterson Parker, the eminent 'cellist who used to play in the Spencer Dyke organisation, this has now been reconstituted with Tabe Gilder (2nd violin), Bernard Shore (viola), and Cedric Sharpe ('cello). The recital given on Tuesday at Wigmore Hall showed that it has not quite settled down to the delicacy of the old formation: the leader's leading seemed a trifle too urgent. But with four such sensitive players, that is bound to pass.

John Hunt gave the second of three piano recitals at the same hall on Wednesday. There was much to be said for his inclusion of Schubert's Sonata in D Major, Op. 53, and, on the whole, he played this best. He is a melodist, but zeal is at present apt to outrun discretion in the presence of exciting causes.

Friday's concert, at Wigmore Hall, of music for chamber orchestra by R. O. Morris suggested that he has been tapping the indigenous vein that has been successfully worked already in Shropshire and elsewhere. The sturdy ore of folk melodies and modes has been refined and fashioned in the mind of a fastidious scholar. Nor is an element of strength absent in such a movement as the finale of the violin concerto in G minor, played by Mme. Adila Fachiri and a mettlesome orchestra, under Arthur Bliss's vivid control. Miss Jelly d'Aranyi joined her sister in a concerto piccolo for two violins and strings, which was conducted by Dr. Adrian Boult. The remaining compositions were a Suite and Concertino. H. F.

RICHTER AND WAGNER.

To the Editor of the SUNDAY TIMES.

Sir,—Here is a story told me by Richter himself which bears on the Wagner-Richter controversy. Of course, Mr. Newman is perfectly correct that Wagner, not Richter, wrote the shake in the "Meistersinger." Richter told me that at an early performance of the overture under Wagner the tubaist used an instrument upon which it was impossible to play the shake properly, whereupon Wagner told him to leave it out. This was done (possibly the part was altered), and thus the omission carrying Wagner's sanction was perpetuated until Richter discovered it, and very properly insisted upon the shake being restored. Richter's admirers have credited him with an act of creation instead of restoration.

Richter had, however, a great number of cherished instructions, both from Wagner and Brahms, which he brought out in performances of their works. One of them has been remarked by your correspondent Mr. Lorenz. No conductor of our day, not even Toscanini, seems to make just these points, and one sadly misses them.

Paris. JOHN FOULDS.

THE GALLERIES

GOUPIL GALLERY SALON.

GOOD SHOWMANSHIP.

By FRANK RUTTER.

The Goupil Gallery Salon is always somewhat different in character from other annual mixed exhibitions. It can be relied on to contain a mixture of paintings by famous, well-known, lesser-known, and unknown modern artists. The greater part of this annual exhibition usually consists of work by contemporary artists, but it is the custom of the organisers to show at the same time a few paintings by some of the great French Impressionists and to include also work by practically unknown living artists—some, indeed, of almost amateur status. This method of selection is really excellent showmanship. Work by beginners who may develop into important artists in the near future, by painters who are now at the crest of their development, by those whose reputations as artists are known only to a small circle, may be seen and appraised beside paintings by masters whose genius and fame are established for all time. The combination is interesting and instructive.

The twentieth exhibition of the series has just opened. Oils by Camille Pissarro, Renoir, Sisley, Monet, and Boudin represent the nineteenth century French Impressionist school. Among contemporary artists exhibiting are Sickert, John, Steer, Orpen, Lucien Pissarro, the Spencer brothers, Ginner, Gertler, Eric Gill, Ethelbert White, and, in the sculpture section, Epstein. Around this substantial nucleus of work by recognised masters and talented artists 200 or so exhibits by the unknown and lesser-known painters and sculptors of the day are grouped.

A DIVERSITY OF MATERIAL.

It is impossible to give a detailed description of an exhibition which contains so much, and such diverse, material. All that can be usefully attempted is to point out a few of the most striking and interesting of the exhibits.

Stanley Spencer's "Burghclere" is one of the most arresting of the paintings by living artists. This composition—in shape it may be described as a horizontal panel—depicts with minute care and a wealth of pretty detail two cottages, their luxuriant gardens and the overgrown bramble hedges which separate these from the surrounding fields. It is a highly finished and naturalistic picture of a typical bit of rural England. But, like all vital realistic art, reality is here seen invested with intense and vivid beauty.

A view of a village street by this artist's brother, Gilbert Spencer, entitled "Wimborne from 'The Crown,'" has something of the same quality of "intensified reality" as this cottage piece. This, also, is a naturalistic rendering of a well-known subject, and in a lesser degree may be said to achieve a similar result. Two little paintings by Rex Whistler, who is responsible for the witty decorations frescoed on the walls of the refreshment-room at the Tate Gallery, give further evidence of this artist's talent. "Aulla, from the Fortezza" and "Caux de Bec," one a view over a silver and gray river-valley from a small hilltop town, and the other a street scene reminiscent in style and attention to amusing detail of an early Dutch painting, are both highly finished little works of art. The unusual light effects recorded by Stephen Bone in his small painting of Harlech Castle give his picture a curious dramatic interest.

Richard Carline has made an intricate and stimulating pattern in clean pinks and grays in his "Crew of the Grace Harwar at Work in the Rigging." There is an underlying affinity between George Charlton's riverside "Yacht Club" and Charles Cundall's "Hamburg Docks," though superficially there is little resemblance between the two paintings. Both artists contrive to give a suggestion of personality to the little figures which people their compositions no matter on how minute a scale they may be shown. A. S. Hartrick's charming study of two old people, "Darby and Joan," is packed with human interest, and incidentally is very attractive in colour. Lucien Pissarro's exquisite rendering of "Les Genets en Fleurs," Charles Ginner's rich-hued "City Walls, Chester," Hubert Wellington's fresh-green landscapes, and J. B. Manson's brilliant flower-piece are other paintings which add to the distinction of the collection.

Mention should be made also of exhibits by Alfred Southwick (a wood-carving and an oil), by Belle Cramer, and S. de Karlowska, of landscapes by Ethelbert White, Ethel Walker, and a very attractive Connemara scene by Rodney J. Burn.

DEGAS.

By this time it must surely be common knowledge that Degas was not only the greatest draughtsman among the Impressionists and the greatest colourist among the Realist painters of his generation, but also a modeller of the highest originality and distinction. Examples of his sculpture have from time to time been seen in London, but nothing so full and representative has yet been organised as the current exhibition in Messrs. Abdy's galleries. This includes a complete collection of the bronzes of Degas and his "Grande Danseuse," which has not before been exhibited in England.

TO-MORROW'S CAUSE LIST.

Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

FIRST DIVN.—At 10.30: Appeals.—For Judgt.—Commr. of Taxes v. British Australian Wool Realisation Assoc. (in liq.); The Commr. of Taxes v. Union Trustee Co. of Australia. For Hearing.—Moulvi Zahir-ul-Said Alvi v R. S. Seth Lachhmi Narayan; Parsotim Thakur and ors. v. Lal Mohar Thakur and ors.; Abdul Ghafur and ors. v. Hussain Bibi and ors.

SECOND DIVN.—At 10.30: Appeals.—For Judgment.—Abakah Nthah v. Kweku Ackah, since dec. For Hearing.—Prafulla Ranjan Das v. Chief Justice and Judges of High Court of Judicature at Patna; Govindrao and anr. v. Rajabai and anr. (pt. hd.)

House of Lords.

At 10.45: Diggines (Insp. of Taxes) v. Forestal Land Timber and Railways Co. (hrg.).

Court of Appeal.

COURT I. (Master of the Rolls, Slesser and Romer, L.JJ.).—At 11: Appeals—From K.B.D. (Rev. Paper—Final List).—For Judgt.—Towle (H.M. Insp. of Taxes) v. Improved Industrial Dwellings Co. and Improved Industrial Dwellings Co. v. Towle (appl. of company from order of Rowlatt, J.); Johnstone (Insp. of Taxes) v. Consolidated London Properties (appl. of Respt. Company from order of Rowlatt, J.). (Master of the Rolls, Lawrence and Romer L.JJ.).—Not before 12: Appeal Motions—Expte.—From Chan. and Prob. and Div. Divns.—Appeals.—From Chan. Divn. (Final List).—Re Cockell—Jackson v. Attorney-General (appl. of Deft. from order of Clauson, J.); re appln. of Nicholson and Sons—re Opposition by Bass Ratcliffe and Gretton—re Trade Marks Acts, 1905 to 1919 (appl. of Applicants from order of Farwell (J.).

COURT II. (Scrutton, Lawrence, and Greer, L.JJ.).—At 10.30: Appeal Motions.—Expte.—From K.B. and Admrlty. Divns.—Appeals.—From K.B.D. (F. and N.T. List).—For Judgt.—Lever Brothers v. Bell (appln. of Defts. for judgt. or new trial); G. C. Dobell and Co. v. Barber and Garratt (appl. of Pltffs. from judgt. of Roche, J.) and Same v. Same (cross-appl. by Defts.). (Scrutton, Greer, and Slesser, L.JJ.).—Not before 12: Appeals.—From K.B.D. (Interloc. List).—Re Joan Margaret Carroll, inf. (appl. of Ellen Carroll from order of Dvnl. Court) (pt. hd.): Elam v. Howlett (appl. of Deft. from order of Dvnl. Court); Nat. Prov. Bank, Ltd., v. Mudd (appl. of Deft. from order of Branson J.); Archibald D. Dawnay and Sons v. Holloway Bros. (London) (appl. of Defts. from order of Branson, J.).

Chancery Division.

COURT I. (Eve, J.).—At 11: Witness List.—Part II. Moorcroft v. Moorcroft (action and counter-claim).

COURT III. (Clauson, J.).—At 10.30: Sitting in Bnkrptcy.—Judgt. Smnses. (Nos. 1 to 47, 49 to 60, 62 to 77).

COURT V. (Maugham, J.).—At 10.30: In Court (as Chmbrs.).—Summons.—City of London Insnce. Co. In Court.—Petns. (Unoppd. First).—To wind up: Atlantic Navigation Collieries; Paul Guillaume Brandon Davis (petn. of Paul Guillaume); Paul Guillaume Brandon Davis (petn. of B. H. Brandon Davis); J. N. Masters (same); Harry Zackheim and Sons; Central Industrial Securities; Frank Chapman and Sons; Far and Near East Exhibitions Pavilion; International Colloidal Syndicate; Solidol Chemical; Phillips (Furnishers); Rowleys Garages; T. N. E. Synd.; Harewood Rubber Estates; Maison Louraine; Browns' Dryers; Hugo Lang and Co. Art Repositories; Wysil; Owen's Boiler Circulator; Safetex Safety Glass; Derby Club; Electric Petrol Service. Not before 11.30: To confirm redn. of capital: Assocd. Brick and Tile Works (pt. hd.); G. Stibbe and Co.; Thrissell Engineering Co.; Sungei Telor (Malaya) Rubber Estate. Adjd. Smnses.—Shaw and Jackson (appln. of Liqdr.—with witnesses); British American Continental Bank (appln. of Lisser and Rosenkrantz).

COURT II. (Luxmoore, J.).—In Court (as Chmbrs).—At 10.30: Chmbr. Smnses.—A to D (Master Chitty).—With Counsel.—Re Alnwick Guardians Agreement Trusts. To follow A to D Dvn.—E to K (Master Holland).—With Counsel.—Re Fox, dec. (Cayley v. Fox); re Hodgson, dec. (Hodgson v. Hodgson); re Heilbronn, dec. (Cohen v. Heilbronn); Ingram v. Patterson. Without Counsel.—Re Isaeli (Union of London and Smiths Bank v. Carr); re Jones, dec. (Williams v. Jones); re Edwards, dec. (Spencer v. Heron). To follow E to K Dvn.—S to Z (Master Mosse).—With Counsel.—Re Scott Settlt. Trusts (Scott v. Bowes-Lyon); Technological Institute and Engineering College of Great Britain v. British Institute of Engineering Technology; re John Stuart, dec. (Public Trustee v. Attlee); Samuelson v. Producers Distributing Co. To be mentd. (1). To follow S to Z Dvn.—L to R (Master Watkin Williams).—With Counsel.—Re Wm. Llewellyn, dec.; re Pengilly's Settled Property. Smns.—Re Chamberlayne's Settlt. Trusts; Yonge v. Chamberlayne.

COURT IV. (Farwell, J.).—At 10.30: Witness List.—Part II.—For Judt.—Amalgd. Carburetters v. Bowden Wire (action and counter-claim). For Hearing.—Chatsworth Estates Co. v. Fewell (action).

LORD CHANC.'S COURT (Bennett, J.).—In Court (as Chmbrs.).—At 10.30: Re Westminster's Settlt. Trusts: Westminster v. McKenna (adjd. smns.) (pt. hd.). At 11: Chmbr. Smnses. (Chief Master Hulbert).—With Counsel.—Re Trade Marks Acts, 1905-1919 and re Columbia Graphophone Co. Trade Mark. Without Counsel.—Re Wheatley, inf. To follow Chief Master.—A to D (Master Ridsdale).—With Counsel.—Re Blackmore, dec. (E. Vincent and Sons v. Blackmore); re Allen, dec. (Isaac Tucker and Co. v. Richardson). Without Counsel.—Bagues v. Lock Freehold Trust. To follow A to D Divn.—E to K (Master Keen).—Without Counsel.—Godley v. Sykes, to be mentd. (1). To follow E to K Divn.—L to R (Master H. W. Jelf).—With Counsel.—Re Ranking, dec.; re Macpherson, dec.; re Poppy's Sttlt. (Symons v. Richmount); Rice v. Sessions; re Laws, dec. (Langton v. Mawston). Without Counsel.—Re Richings Park Estate (1928); Pearce and Sons v. Lee-Smith; Randall v. Ward. To follow L to R Divn.—S to Z (Master Chandler).—With Counsel.—Re Old Linthorpe Brick Co. (McLaughlin v. the Co.). Without Counsel.—Wheeler v. Branson. To be mentd. (1).

King's Bench Division.

L.C.J.'s COURT (Dvnl.) (Avory, Rowlatt, and McCardie, JJ.).—At 11: Expte. Motions.—Motions—Costs of Mandamus.—The King v. Lord Mayor, etc., of Cardiff (expte. New Theatre); the King v. Same (expte. Westlan Productions); the King v. Same (expte. Moss Empires). Crown Paper.—The King v. A. Gibson, Ltd., and ors. Jj. of Cumberland mist for order to hear and determine (expte. Fearnley) (Nov. 11) (by order).

COURT VII. (Horridge, J.).—At 10.30: Special Juries.

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—Ames and anr. v. Froomberg (pt. hd.); Taylor v. Smart Bros. and Co.; Bloxham v. Hobbs.

COURT III. (Acton, J.).—At 10.30: Common juries.—Smith and anr. v. Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Co.; Wright v. Brit. Internat. Pictures; Vestey v. Adey.

COURT II. (Talbot, J.).—At 10.30: Common Juries.—To be Mentd.—Philips v. H. Baron and Co.; Dale v. Foundations Co. and ors. For Hearing.—United Artists' Corp. v. Shepherd; Fox and anr. v. Goldfinch.

COURT VI. (Wright, J.).—At 10.45: Commercl. Smnses.—Attd. by Counsel.—Internat. Brick Co. v. Falahee. Not Attd. by Counsel.—Mitsui and Co. v. Ellerman Line; South African Reserve Bank v. M. Samuel and Co. Not before 11: Commerc. List.—Continental Contractors v. Vickers-Armstrong (pt. hd.).

CHAMBERS (McCardie, J.).

To Jurors.—Special Jurors for Court VII. and Common Jurors for Court II. must attend at 10.

Official Referees.

COURT I. (Sir Francis Newbolt, K.C.).—10.30: Measures Bros. (1911) v. Matthews Spicer.

COURT II. (Mr. G. A. Scott).—At 10.30: Frans S. Mooy v. Mooy; Wallace v. Busby. At 11: Standard Coal Supply Co. v. Kelton.

COURT III. (Sir William Hansell, K.C.).—At 10.30: O'Brien and anr. v. Branton and Co.; Beneditti v. Bossalini and ors.

Court of Criminal Appeal.

L.C.J.'s COURT (Avory, Rowlatt, and McCardie, JJ.).—After Crown Paper.—At 11: Applns.—Rex v. David Davies (307); v. Neville Brown (342); v. Frederick Sladden (358); v. William Henry Boyle (368); Thomas Wright (371); Percy Dodson (372); v. George Orwin (367). Final Appeals.—Rex v. Joseph Bishop (341); v. Donald Bratherton (351); v. Walter George Dale (354); v. George Richards (365); v. Thomas Williams (364); v. James William McLocklin (347).

Probate, Divorce and Admiralty.

COURT II. (President).—At 10.30: Admrlty. Smnses.—Admrlty.—Jamaica Merchant—1930—Folio 210.—Breach of Contract.—For Examn of Witnesses.—Owners s.s. Jamaica Merchant v. Falmouth Docks and Engrng. Co. (with Trinity Masters); San Quirino—1928—Folio 234.—Motion in Objection to Regr.'s Report.

COURT III. (Bateson, J.).—At 10.30. Prob. and Div. Smnses.—Applns. to make absolute decrees nisi in 108 causes. Prob. Motion.—Buckley, E., orse. L., dec. Div. Motions.—Laming, E. H., v. Laming, S. A.; Waring, I. A. K., v. Waring, H.; Farley, M. E., v. Farley, E. Not before 12.30: Undefd. Div. Causes.—Whitcher, E. W., v. Whitcher, D. H. (43); Wheeler, F. C. A., v. Wheeler, E. W. (118); Butler, M. G. S., v. Butler, T. B. (125); Mattinson v. Matinson and Roberts (126); Dowman v. Dowman and Kelly (127); Lief, S. N., v. Lief, S. (128); Winckworth v. Winckworth and Thurston (129); Peile, L. P., v. Peile, F. G. S. (130); Quartermaine v. Quartermaine and Ford (131); Delius v. Delius and Sharman.

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Only an extremely learned reviewer could estimate the value of this survey of Shakespearean research, this summary of many years of independent investigation. There are no fields of inquiry in literary history so completely pegged-out as the career of Shakespeare and his text. Each yard of these neighbouring areas has become the claim of some specialist, and in the intervals of digging they use, as we have noticed, their picks and shovels as weapons against each other. Sir Edmund Chambers is several specialists rolled into one. And he is also qualified to act as umpire because, in spite of his concentration at certain points, his sense of proportion remains intact. Ingenuity and zeal in conjecture are, in his case, well under control. This admirable immunity from investigator's bias, however, has one drawback. It would make him a tame writer if he were not so learned, it he did not provide so many facts for those with appetite for them. Still, be prepared; the upshot is often merely that conjecture is unsafe. Yet how salutary this is. Just as the utility of metaphysics lies largely in their negative results, in proving that we are not compelled to accept the explanations of men far more ingenious than ourselves, so the main use of patient research is often to prevent us from bowing our ignorant heads beneath apparently overwhelming and emphatically selected evidence.

Sir Edmund Chambers's book is divided into two parts. The first volume contains his arguments and conclusions; the second (which I have not read, only glanced at) is an appendix of documents and records either too long, or too distantly connected with the immediate argument to be included in it. His book completes his "Elizabethan Stage." He collects the scanty facts on which lives of Shakespeare *ought* to be based, and applies to the traditional supplements to that material the tests of a reasonable analysis. He then discusses the canon of the plays and the nature of the texts, Quartos and Folio in which the work of Shakespeare is preserved. This discussion involves minute bibliographical research and the investigation of theatrical conditions and of chronological problems. Lastly, he devotes a separate section to each of the plays included in the First Folio, then to all those plays not found in it (among them "Sir Thomas More"), and, finally, to Shakespeare's poems and sonnets.

"As He Conceived Them."

His conclusions are conservative. He argues against Professor J. Dover Wilson and Mr. J. M. Robertson. The upshot of his book is the same as that of his British Academy lecture of 1924 on "The Disintegration of Shakespeare": that there are not sufficient grounds for minimising the originality of the plays ("Shakespeare as a dramatist remains something more than the life-tenant of a literary entail"), or for doubting in wide measure the authenticity of the texts transmitted to us. Readers of the SUNDAY TIMES will hardly expect me to stand arbiter! The impression which Sir Edmund Chambers's book leaves prohibits such an attitude on the part of his reviewer. It is impossible to read him without being convinced that acquaintance with the works of Shakespeare does not qualify one to hold an opinion, and that conclusions worth anything must be based upon knowledge of the methods of contemporary playwrights and players, upon the conditions of the theatre and its relations to the Press. The solution of the problems of transmission, of authenticity, of revision, of chronology depends upon this kind of knowledge. "Upon the nature of the copy which reached the publishers, first for the Quarto and afterwards for the First Folio, the amount of authority to be attached to the traditional texts, as representative of what Shakespeare actually wrote, must in the last resort depend" (p. 143).

Sir Sidney Lee was of the opinion that, as regards the Folio, internal evidence rendered it "highly improbable that Shakespeare's autographs were at the printers' disposal." In regard to the Quartos, he also concluded that since theatrical shareholders and dramatists considered the publication of separate plays prejudicial to their interests, "as a rule, the publisher seems to have bought of an actor one of the copies of the play which it was necessary for the manager to provide for his company." He also believed that the existing manuscripts were destroyed in the fire at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in 1613, the library being afterwards "replenished" from transcripts in the possession of actors or from fair-copies presented to patrons. Sir Edmund Chambers, on the contrary, sees no valid reasons for rejecting the statement of the editors of the First Folio that in place of "diverse stolen and surreptitious copies, maimed and deformed," they were offering versions "absolute in their numbers as he (the author) conceived them."

Guides to Shakespeare.

The points which have first to be established before he can defend this conclusion must be indicated exceedingly briefly, and in doing so I cannot even attempt to summarise the evidence, but only to indicate to the uninstructed reader the kind of investigations on which Shakespearean scholarship depends. First, there is the work of critical bibliography. What deductions can be drawn from misprints, broken lines (When do these suggest cuts?), discrepancies, additions, repetitions? Which of these, if any, are probably playhouse alterations, and which are due to revision for publication? Why is the verse sometimes printed as prose? The answers to these questions in turn depend upon minute knowledge of contemporary printing-house methods, upon the likely extent of the censors' interference, and upon familiarity with the methods of the theatrical tiring-house where copies were kept and altered to suit different productions. Secondly, what does the likelihood that the original manuscripts were destroyed in the Globe fire amount to? There are apparently several accounts of it, and one says "nothing did perish but wood and straw and a few forsaken cloaks." Sir Sidney Lee cites the example of the fire at the Fortune Theatre in 1621, when the company did undoubtedly lose their manuscripts. Well, all fires are not equally destructive. It will be at once obvious that in such a study every step entails the weighing of evidence and every scrap of analogous information may be of value. Such are the labours of the Shakespearean scholar. The theory of a "continuous copy" worked over from time to time in a series of progressive revisions by various hands till it is really impossible to say who is the author of it is the one which Sir Edmund sums up against. But Shakespeare lore is so bewildering that it is hardly worth the amateur's while to go into it, and the great value of this book for him is that it points out how problematical the conclusions of scholars often are. It is a region of speculation where the tourist is apt to be at the mercy of the first guide he meets; yet whence, if he makes a longer stay, he is apt to emerge a monomaniac. There are completely mad guides on the spot who hold that Shakespeare wrote not only the plays attributed to him, but those of his contemporaries; and others who are not mad, but argue from the same resemblances between Shakespeare's phraseology and that of his contemporaries that Shakespeare wrote hardly any of those which pass as his own. If you do, then, visit that region, take this sound Baedeker with you.

Shakespeare's Portrait.

The biographical portion contains the irreducible minimum of facts about Shakespeare which we *know*. Sir Edmund is extremely cautious in deducing character-traits and emotional adventures from the works themselves. Indeed, he seldom indulges, and then only in passing, in this fascinating kind of psychological guess-work. History has unfortunately hung the portrait of Shakespeare in a bad light. I once compared it to a dark glazed picture in an ill-planned gallery which reflects the features of those who peep curiously into it: Sir Sidney Lee's Shakespeare was a steady man who, farming judiciously his talents, lived and died honoured, safe and prosperous; Leslie Stephen saw in that frame the reflection of a pessimistic stoic, who was no pipe for Fortune's fingers to play upon. Mr. Frank Harris deduced a bookminded poet, sensitive, will-less, and possessed by a hunger for all pleasant bright things and by a treble dose of sensuality; one whose resentment and anger were brief, and on whose nerves fate played pain fugues and pæans; who laughed, drank, swaggered, worked, loved —above all loved—wept, suffered, and wore himself out. Then Mr. Shaw, commenting on this interpretation (which I confess seems to me the most plausible), deduced that it was only Mr. Harris's need to exercise his gift for pity that made him infer that Shakespeare was a broken-hearted man Genius implies immunity from passion; Shakespeare must have enjoyed a capacity for being "hugely amused at the absurdity of his infatuation." Thus as we read Mr. Shaw's "Dark Lady of the Sonnets," the shadowy portrait of Shakespeare began to take on a familiar air of gay indomitable detachment. But Sir Edmund Chambers does not peer into and interpret that glazed surface. He belongs, to continue the metaphor, rather to that class of connoisseur who analyses pigments and dates backgrounds.

The Sonnets.

On the biographical significance of the Sonnets he is very cautious and noncommittal: "More folly has been written about the sonnets than about any other Shakespearean topic. No doubt there is a convention. The attitudes and language of the sonnets can be abundantly paralleled from other Renaissance poems, Italian, French, and English. But the use of a convention is not inconsistent with the expression of personal feeling." He is equally cautious with regard to the identity of "Mr. W. H."

> The careers of Southampton and Herbert show curious analogies. Both are known (pp. 62, 68; vol. II., p. 228) to have shown favour to Shakespeare. Both were good-looking and had beautiful mothers. Both were much in the public eye. Both were the subjects of early negotiations for marriages which came to nothing. Both had amorous relations with ladies of Elizabeth's Court and suffered disgrace and imprisonment as a result, although Southampton married his Elizabeth Vernon in 1598, whereas Herbert declined to marry his Mary Fitton in 1601. Neither of these can, of course, be the Dark Lady, a married woman, who broke her bed-vow (sonnet clii.) to take first Shakespeare and then his friend. Southampton, born in 1573, was perhaps young enough to be called a "boy" by Shakespeare in 1593-6, and to him *Venus and Adonis* and *Lucrece* were dedicated. The case for him as the friend of the sonnets is now very generally accepted, and has been well put recently by Fort. I do not think it a convincing one. . . . On the whole, therefore, I think that, if we are to look in the ranks of the higher nobility, it is Herbert, rather than Southampton, who affords the most plausible identification for Shakespeare's friend. I am not clear that the conditions might not be satisfied by some young man of good birth and breeding, but of less degree than an earl.

Mark the "*if* we are to look in the ranks of the higher nobility." The internal evidence that "the only begetter" was a youth of rank is practically nil. Unless, indeed, as Samuel Butler remarked, we are to suppose that Shakespeare when he wrote "Lord of my love" really meant Earl of my love. Southampton's initials (H. W.) do not even fit, and William Herbert was already Earl of Pembroke when the sonnets were published. No printer would address him as "Mr. W. H."

I wish to correct, with sincere apologies to his surviving relatives, a statement in my article last week: the death of that distinguished critic, Churton Collins, was investigated by a coroner's jury, and discovered to have been accidental.

IN THE AIR.

"Skyways." By General William Mitchell. (Benn. 21s.)

"Parachuting." by Charles Dixon. (Sampson Low. 12s. 6d.)

General William Mitchell has as much right to write books about the air as any man living, for during the war he was Commander of the Air Forces of the A.E.F., and later became the Director of Military Aeronautics U.S. Army. "Skyways" is dedicated to the author's two "little children," and this is the clue to the book; it is simple, readable, and non-technical, and it covers every phase of civil and military aviation. The chapter on internal combustion engines, for instance, is right up to date, and of real interest to the serious lay student of aeronautics, yet a "child could understand it," whilst the most technical of experts will admire its clarity of expression.

The field covered by the book is a very wide one, and there are interesting chapters on Air Survey, Maps and Instruments, Photography, and Aerodromes, whilst even such mundane matters as aeronautical insurance and law are faithfully dealt with.

"Parachuting," as its name shows, is a specialist's book on a highly specialised subject. Mr Dixon starts with parachuting in China during the Ming Dynasty, say about 1330, and ends up with parachuting in America in 1930; in short, he is nothing if not comprehensive. The last part of the book is mainly a record of the adventures of the members of the "Caterpillar" Club, whose qualification for membership is merely that they must have escaped by parachute from an otherwise obviously fatal air crash! The Chief Caterpillar, Colonel Lindbergh, of transatlantic fame, is, so far, triply qualified.

THE EPIC OF SCIENCE.

"The Torch-bearers. III." The Last Voyage. By Alfred Noyes. (Blackwood. 7s. 6d.)

Reviewed by T. EARLE WELBY.

However people may differ in their valuation of the poetry of Mr. Alfred Noyes, they must agree in respect for the ambition and energy revealed in the immense epic on which he has been engaged for a decade. A great deal of modern poetry seems to have been produced in exceptional moments by generally weary writers; but here is Mr. Noyes, buoyant, confident, tireless, ready to grapple with the largest and most difficult themes, and perfectly willing that his work should contain passages which, separately considered, are prosaic, so long as the issue of the whole is beauty. Work of this kind has a value not to be estimated by searching out incidental felicities or flaws: its worth is in the massiveness of its central ideas and the energy with which its argument is conducted. And he who is disposed to set small store by work of this sort may be reminded of the great paucity of it in our own day, and indeed since the break-up of the old synthesis whereby men of the mediæval and renaissance periods grasped knowledge as a whole.

But though it is by the totality of his epic that Mr. Noyes must be judged there is one incidental merit to which attention must be drawn. In this volume, as in its two predecessors, Mr. Noyes is almost continually "amusing" in the honourable sense in which Rossetti required poetry to be. Take the setting for the argument in this third volume. Mr. Noyes is desirous of bringing home to us the endeavours of modern science to grapple with the final mysteries and instead of inflicting on us a great mass of pseudo-Miltonic expository blank verse, he presents to us a dramatic picture of a child smitten by dangerous illness while at sea and to be saved only if the ship can communicate by wireless with the eminent physician travelling on another boat. We are shown then a multitude of the scientific resources of our day being brought to bear on this one personal problem, and we are naturally led back to scientists of an earlier period whose labours rendered possible the attempt. Again and again this dramatic quality, or Mr. Noyes's gift of narrative, or some unexpected revelation of personal feeling, saves him from the chief peril of work in this kind.

An Act of Faith.

It will have been gathered from what has already been said that Mr. Noyes's epic cannot be appreciated through small quoted samples; but there is one passage which perhaps ought to be reproduced as expressive of the temper in which he has laboured:—

> An earth-bound age,
> This age of the machine, may see in law
> That mechano-morphic image of itself,
> A blind monistic web wherein mankind
> Is jerked by strings like crudest jack-a-clocks
> As though the death-watch, ticking in the wood
> Under the keys of the organ, should declare
> That Bach's great choral Passion meant no more
> Than clicking wooden keys, and that an eye
> Which sees their patterned movements from below
> Sees the bleak, naked truth, and can despise
> The vague hypothesis of a Mind beyond
> The wooden framework.

So also his lyrical conclusion should be given here, even at the risk of some injustice consequent on detaching it from its context:

> Anima Mundi. World-Sustainer,
> Sower to whom all seeds returned,
> Through earth's dissolving mist of atoms
> The Body of God in splendour burned.
> And I heard Agnus, Agnus Dei,
> Pleading for man with Love's own breath;
> And Love drew near me.
> And I drank Life through God's own death.

It would be carrying piety too far to conceal the fact that now and then, as in his previous work, Mr. Noyes pays the price of his fluency, but he has a remarkable élan in attack on difficult subject matter and a fervour of conviction which communicates itself to the reader. His book is an act of faith in more than the narrow sense, and it will assuredly not miss the recognition due to its courage and vigour.

THE EDWARDIAN SCENE.

"Edwardian Hey-days, or A Little About a Lot of Things." By George Cornwallis-West. (Putnam. 15s.)

In some respects, the Edwardian interlude, which stands in the same relation as the Restoration to the Commonwealth, seems even older than the Victorian era. That is the feeling one certainly gets from Mr. Cornwallis-West's picture of the period, which he sketches lightly and good-humouredly in terms of his own kaleidoscopic career. As with many others, King Edward was much nearer to him than Queen Victoria had ever been to any of her subjects, for Mr. West from childhood had known his genial Majesty, and his friendship was increased through marrying Lady Randolph Churchill. He is, therefore, a pretty good judge when he says:—

> I doubt whether in any period of history of the modern world, except, perhaps, that immediately preceding the French Revolution, has there been such a display of wealth and luxury as during King Edward's reign. Not even the death duties . . . acted as a deterrent to extravagance.

Mr. West rarely attempts to generalise about tendencies. But his day-to-day experiences and his stories—not all of which are new—are highly illuminating. The result is a book that, while very entertaining to the man who runs as he reads, is also of value to the social historian.

But a paragraph on page 28 will astound peerage historians, all the more as it is about Mr. West's own family. To begin with, the fifth Lord De La Warr, who married Lady Elizabeth Sackville, was not his "great-great-uncle," but a son of the latter. He then says that the fifth Earl's wife (died 1870) "persuaded" Queen Victoria, to whom she was a lady-in-waiting, "to recreate the barony of Sackville in favour of her second son, Reginald." What did happen was that the Barony of Buckhurst was recreated in 1864 for Lady De La Warr herself, with limitation in the first instance to her second son Reginald, who in 1873 became seventh Earl De La Warr, retaining his barony of Buckhurst in spite of the extraordinary patent, which barred a Lord De La Warr from holding it. His younger brother Mortimer, relying on the patent, unsuccessfully claimed the barony, getting, however, Knowle, which went with it; but as a consolation he was created Lord Sackville in 1876, that is to say, six years after the death of his mother Elizabeth (Sackville), Lady De La Warr.

TURKEY PAST AND PRESENT

"Turkey: Yesterday, To-day, and To-morrow." By Sir Telford Waugh. (Chapman and Hall. 18s.)

The competence of Sir Telford Waugh to speak of the Turkey of the past and of to-day is amply guaranteed by the fact that after forty-four years of official residence in that country he left it some twelve months ago, having for some years occupied the position of British Consul-General. Such a record is an assurance of high intelligence. Probably no other country in the world has undergone changes so many and so vast during that period as Turkey. The Turkey with which Sir Telford Waugh first made acquaintance in 1885 was a vast Empire, including a big slice of South-Eastern Europe, Tripoli, Arabia, and Mesopotamia. The Turkey to which he said farewell in 1929 had become a small homogeneous republic, confined to Asia Minor but for the little plot of European ground which holds Adrianople and Constantinople. Changes no less portentous have taken place in religion and in manners. Sir Telford Waugh saw all this happen, and from his sedulously kept diaries he has extracted a book replete with historical and social interest. Regarding the Turkey of "To-morrow" he is wisely reticent, quoting as his model in such matters the late Baron Testu, who, questioned as to his anticipations of the future of Turkey, replied: "J'ai beaucoup pronostiqué dans ma vie, et de tout que j'ai pronostiqué rien n'est arrivé. Maintenant je ne pronostique plus."

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Reviewed by J. M. BULLOCH.

Sir George Macmunn, in calling Gustavus Adolphus "the Northern Hurricane," has invented an excellent phrase which fitly describes many adventurous types variously represented by some books of the week.

We are so apt to think that triumphant Youth is the prerogative of our own day that it is well to have the career of Gustavus (1594-1632) recalled, for he crowded an enormous amount of fighting into his thirty-eight short years, attracting venturesome foreigners, many of them Scots, to his flag. Coming to the throne at the age of 17 with three wars—Denmark, Poland, and Russia—to be fought out of hand, and the last was to be an eighteen years' job, altogether a whirlwind affair, he carried on his wars amid high domestic statesmanship. Sir George, who considers Gustavus "the greatest soldier that the modern world has yet seen," tells the epic story of the young Swede's amazing energy with much of his dash.

The Intrepid Explorer.

From the time, as a King's Lynn boy of 15, that he sailed on Cook's second voyage to the day of his death at 41, George Vancouver (1757-98) crammed a great deal of splendid adventure into his life. Immensely as he admires him, his new biographer, Mr. Godwin, frankly admits that, "like all the commanders of his day, he was jealous of his power and resented any infringement of, or interference with, his authority," not only from a cub like the second and last Lord Camelford, but from others. But, by paddling his own canoe, he "got there" on many seas, most gloriously of all when he surveyed the Pacific coast of North America, sailing round the island which bears his name. Mr Godwin has taken a great deal of trouble over his study, supplying unusually long and valuable appendixes, which form nearly half the book.

Among Sea Gipsies.

Mr. Leopold Ainsworth displays something of the same temper as Vancouver when he writes:—

> To be dependent on someone else, be it from an individual or a natural point of view, is to lose a certain amount of character. Hence it would seem to follow logically that civilisation tends to lack of character.

Yet, if instead of "handling tracts of jungle and agriculture," he had not taken to lecturing and writing about them, stay-at-homes would have lost his enthusiastic story of a trader's lively life in the Malay archipelago, where he once had to play the midwife, and saw much of the strange "gipsies" of the surrounding seas. He makes you wish eagerly to follow in his footsteps.

Irish Hurricane Men.

At all times Ireland has been a land of incalculable hurricane folk, and this quality runs through the four brilliant sketches which Miss MacCarthy, the author of the charming "Nineteenth Century Childhood," has gathered together under the title of the longest essay, on George Robert Fitzgerald (1748-86). An "unaccountable" boy, he began fighting duels at the age of 16, and led a mad career, which ended on the scaffold—at the same age as Gustavus Adolphus—for his killing Colonel Patrick MacDonel, an obscure squireen whom he hated. "Humanity" Martin (1754-1843), the "King of Connemara," was a great contradiction, for while, as Maria Edgeworth said, he fought "more duels than any man of even his 'blue-blaze devil' days," and would clap his tenants in the stocks, he carried the first modern legislation for protecting animals, in 1822. Sketches of the Bishop-Earl of Bristol, "Fighting" Fitzgerald's uncle, and of the latter's father John, Lord Hervey, Pope's "Sporus," both cleverly etched, complete a sparkling little book.

Roger Casement.

The apparently ineradicable whirlwind quality of the Irishman is completely illustrated in the strange case of Roger Casement. Conrad once called him a "limpid personality," but even with over 160,000 words at his disposal, Mr. Gwynn finds some parts of his story puzzling. His great fight against the horrible conditions of the Congo natives, described at great length, reminds you of the humane work of "Hair Trigger" Martin for animals. On the other hand, his hurricane Irishism, which brought him to the scaffold like "Fighting" Fitzgerald, takes one back to the days of the fierce old squirearchy, raised to the nth power. It need hardly be said that Mr. Gwynn will not have him called a "traitor," but he frankly admits that "his impulsive temperament had led him completely astray" in his leaving America to negotiate with the Germans during the war. That journey was "a colossal blunder, characteristic of his inability to appreciate any view but his own." He maintains that Casement's one object of going to Ireland in the crazy submarine was to stop the rising: and he is very suspicious of the notorious "diary," which makes him out a moral pervert. In any case, Mr. Gwynn's book illustrates a great deal of recent history, in which this almost anachronistic tornado played a tragic part.

"Bad Companions."

What Mr. Roughead in his curious style calls the "criminous reredos of renown" always involves a departure from the normal, and this is illustrated variously by the eight sketches in "Bad Companions," dedicated to the author of "The Good Companions." No writer handles this type of work better than Mr. Roughead, who brings to the task of exposition the knowledge of the professional lawyer, the lover of letters, and the student of human nature. Not the least interesting sketch, which includes "Madame Rachel's" beauty parlour and ends with a Glasgow murder in 1927, is the extraordinary Drumsheugh case, in which Lady (Helen) Gordon-Cumming impulsively brought groundless charges against the schoolmistresses of her grandchildren—thereby adding the ugly word "tribadism," to the language. Mr. Roughead has reduced to crystal clearness the ten-years' litigation over the case, which would have interested Krafft-Ebing. It may interest him to know that the annotated copy of the trial by Lord Meadowbank, the first judge to hear (in camera) the schoolmistresses' claim for damages, is now in the Library of Congress at Washington.

THE SOUL OF RUSSIA.

"A History of Russia." Translated from the French of N. Brian Chaninov by C. J. Hogarth. (Dent. 8s. 6d.)

This is a book which in scope, object, and character is strongly akin to the admirable "History of Scotland," by Mr. G. M. Thomson, noticed in these columns at the time of its appearance some months ago. Less than 300 pages in length, it does literally fulfil what at first blush seems the rather hardy boast the publisher had printed on its wrapper—"it gives the reader every conceivable fact in the history of Russia he could want to know," and, what is more, and more ultimately important, it gives the reader a real insight of the Russian national character, and a real acquaintance with and understanding of the vast natural forces, geographical and ethnographical, which have moulded that character. There are many much lengthier and vastly more pretentious histories of the country from which less information and less understanding may be gleaned.

NEW FICTION.

AN AUTUMN SELECTION

"Green Lane." By Alec Brown. (Cape. 7s. 6d.)

"This Siren Song." By Ernest Elmore. (Collins. 7s. 6d.)

"Cousins German." By Oliver Madox Hueffer. (Benn. 7s. 6d.)

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"Several Faces." By Jennifer Courtenay. (Gollancz. 7s. 6d.)

"Ten Days' Wonder." By Muriel Hine. (Lane. 7s. 6d.)

"Man in a Black Hat." By Temple Thurston. (Cassell. 7s. 6d.)

"They Die Young." By John Sommerfield. (Heinemann. 7s. 6d.)

Reviewed by RALPH STRAUS.

In the old-fashioned way "Green Lane" is given an alternative title, but I am not sure that Mr. Brown would not have been wiser to omit it. "Murder at Moat Farm" exactly describes the chief business of this really fine novel, but it is liable to give a wrong impression. Murder in fiction these days has come to suggest little more than an ingenious puzzle solved only in the last chapter and after the reader has been permitted to be led cheerfully astray by any number of false clues. Actually there is no mystery at all in Mr. Brown's story, no false clues and no detectives. It is not a "thriller," but the tragic picture of a village shocked by a murder in its midst.

The body of Ellen Summers, who was no better than she should be, is found on his land by the new owner of Moat Farm. This Peter Morley is a gentleman farmer who has never been "accepted" by the villagers. His ploughman is the real murderer, but he himself is vaguely suspect, not because there is any tangible evidence against him, but because it is discovered that in the past he had divorced his wife, and, in their estimate of "foreigners," the villagers see no cause to differentiate between innocent and guilty parties in any case of the kind. And so you have the sad spectacle of an unduly sensitive man, wholly misunderstood by all his neighbours except the schoolmaster, gradually succumbing to inimical forces, and finally hanging himself.

It all sounds dreadfully depressing, and it may be asked why a man who can show fight on occasion should choose this way out of troubles which could so easily, one imagines, have been resolved in some less terrible fashion Yet I am bound to say that the picture which Mr. Brown paints is not really depressing, and it does not suggest exaggeration. A village can be the cruellest critic in all the world. Here, at any rate, you see a dozen rustics, well-meaning, no doubt, according to their own lights, who are yet morally guilty of the murder of an innocent man. It may be pitiless, but it reads like the truth. For myself, I found the book very much to my taste.

A COMET'S CAREER.

In an amusingly lighthearted fashion Mr. Elmore points an old moral and adorns an old tale. "This Siren Song" is the story of a chemist's assistant—a dyspeptic of 50—who is always being told that he has no ambition. The accusation is not quite true, for Bertram Alfred Gibbons is not without his dreams. It is hardly likely that he will ever *do* anything, and, after all, he is happy enough with his family in his King's Cross slum. Yet a small legacy and help from some friends of his daughter enable him to put a new water-engine for cars on the market, and the Gibbonses taste the much-advertised delights of great wealth. And Bertram Alfred does not like it at all. Nothing goes right either for him or his family, though we are left to suppose that the second generation will not regret what has happened.

Mr. Elmore is good company. At moments he is a little too fond of buttonholing his reader, but the fault, if it be one, may be forgiven. The portraits are well drawn, and the dialogue is natural. More, perhaps, might have been made of Mrs. Gibbons's social aspirations, and I should like to have heard Mr. Bodgers's comments on his ex-assistant's rise to fame, but the book makes admirable reading, and for a first novel soars pleasantly above the average.

WAR IN THE BACKGROUND.

"Cousins German" is not without its pictures of war (and very good ones they are, as might have been expected from a writer of Mr. Hueffer's standing), but it does not set out to be a war book. It is, rather, an exciting melodrama, with the war for a background. It may be a little difficult to believe the truth about Major Lambard, who is brought up in the false belief that he is a German and cheerfully plays spy for the Fatherland, but it is as well to remember that in the war the strangest things were constantly happening. And in any case the adventures of the Major and of Paget, who loved Mrs. Lampard, are sufficiently entertaining. Incidentally, Mr. Hueffer has little good to say of recent war "heroes" in fiction, who have little in common with the more amiable warriors about whom he is writing himself.

TWO FIRST NOVELS.

"The River" is one of those stories of primitive life out West in the forests which will either rouse you to enthusiasm or leave you faintly bewildered. It has a wild beauty of its own, and if you read it carefully the clearest picture will emerge. The story is told by a man who looks back to the days when as a youngster of 17 he fell in love with a woman and went to very considerable trouble to prove himself a man. It is not without its excitements, and women in particular will be interested in the contradictory character of Rosalee. Mr. Tupper writes very well, and his story follows a path of his own, but how popular that path will be I would not care to say.

Another first novel which will have its admirers is "Several Faces," though here, too, there may be some disappointment in store for those who become interested in the earlier career of Barbara Thurston. Her various "affairs" are described in detail, and the normal development of a modern young woman is unfolded with no little skill, but after her marriage to the commonplace Jack the novel seems to lose some of its freshness, and it ends, rather irritatingly, with the husband's discovery that she has been unfaithful. The portraits are good, but the construction is a little too loose. Miss Courtenay, however, can write, and I shall certainly read her next novel.

VARIOUS ENGAGEMENTS.

It says much for Miss Hine's skill as a story-teller that you do not find the various entanglements in "Ten Days' Wonder" wholly unbelievable. Engagements are made and broken almost hourly, which is speedy even for these modern days, and yet with a woman like Mrs. Myrom, who is rather older than she cares to admit, and with a modern girl like her daughter Griselda, anything, I suppose, is liable to happen. I do not think that this is the best of Miss Hine's stories, but, as usual, you become interested in her people and she has many shrewd things to say. The little comedy might well be turned into a stage-play.

DISAPPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Thurston's "Man in a Black Hat" is a modern alchemist with astonishing powers, but I found it very difficult to become interested in his endeavours to possess himself of an old book containing Rosicrucian lore. The novel is supposed to be a 'thriller," but I cannot think that it will thrill many people. As for Mr. Sommerfield's first novel, "They Die Young," I must confess to being wholly baffled. Young Christopher seems to have been an unhappy young man, but he luckily dies. And in the circumstances that seems to me to be the best thing he could have done.

MORE LIGHTS ON GLADSTONE.

"The Gladstone Papers." (Cassell. 5s.)

Reviewed by PHILIP MORRELL.

In the introduction to Morley's "Life of Gladstone"—that monumental work in which so much of a great personality lies embalmed—there is a passage in which the author declares that what interests the world in Gladstone is even more what he was than what he did:—

> His brilliancy, charm, and power . . . . his vicissitudes of opinion, his subtleties of mental progress . . . his striking unlikeness to other men in whom great and free nations have for long periods placed their trust

—all these things combined to make him a strange and formidable figure in English politics. You may dislike him—as so many people disliked him in his lifetime, and feared him, and even loathed him—or you may admire and respect him—and no one, perhaps, in modern times, has ever excited a more passionate devotion—but if you have any interest in history you cannot pass him by. The mere scope of his career was extraordinary. It is a hundred years now since he took his degree at Oxford. Three years later, at the age of 24, he was making his maiden speech, in support of negro slavery—a speech which he himself, on reading it over many years later, found "much less than satisfactory," but of which King William IV. wrote to Lord Althorp that he rejoiced that a young member had come forward "in so promising a manner." Ten years afterwards he was a Cabinet Minister, and Lord Stanley was already saying to him:—

> You are as certain to be Prime Minister as any man can be, if you live—the way is clear before you.

His Magnanimity.

The way, indeed, was rather longer than his contemporaries anticipated, and Gladstone was nearly 60 before he formed his first Administration. Twenty-five years later—Prime Minister for the third, or was it the fourth time?—he was carrying his second Irish Home Rule Bill through the House of Commons; and when at last he died at 89, in spirit at least he was undefeated: "An example," said Lord Salisbury, in an often-quoted phrase, "to which history hardly furnishes a parallel, of a great Christian man." Many men may have lived longer; many have done more remarkable work; but how many men have had a greater influence on their time? For Gladstone never took shelter, or shrank from any conflict or any toil. He once said in his dry way, when working for fifteen hours a day at one of his great budgets, that he only did not call the task Herculean because Hercules could not have done it. And yet through all the conflict and toil he retained an extraordinary freshness and magnanimity.

The Haze of Prejudice.

It is difficult, however, even now—more than thirty years after his death—to get a clear view of him, so distorting is the haze of prejudice that still obscures his personality. And for this Morley's biography—great monument though it is—must be held partly responsible. Morley no doubt did his best to give us all the varied aspects of Gladstone's character, except as theologian and Churchman, an aspect with which, as he frankly admits, he was not competent to deal. Otherwise the whole of Gladstone is there, or intended to be there; there is at least "no bias," as the author modestly says, "against the truth"; but how could he attempt to be impartial or detached? His book, which he dedicates to his constituents, the electors of Montrose, was written within a few years of the great man's death. Morley himself, though he had only known him in his later years, had been one of his chief political colleagues, and had still some hope of succeeding him in the leadership of the Liberal Party; and writing in a spirit of "loyal and affectionate remembrance," he presents him to us mainly as a great party chief, which some people have plausibly argued that Gladstone never was. At any rate it is good news to hear that the Gladstone papers—that vast mass of documents, at the first sight of which Morley's heart is said to have failed him—have been given by the Gladstone family to the British Museum, and will now—or soon—be available to "all future historians," so that they may form their own judgment of Gladstone and his contemporaries.

Some Last Messages.

The present compilation, which is presumably published, as they say of the Bible, "by authority"—for it bears no editor's name—is a very small sample of the whole, and its title, it must be confessed, is rather misleading; for "the Gladstone papers" comprise, so we are told, between 200,000 and 300,000 documents, and the number quoted or extracted in this book must be, I should guess, between 50 and 100. Its purpose is "not to rouse by the breath of a paragraph the dead embers of political controversy," but—

> to show by more or less haphazard divings . . . the extraordinary versatility . . . of Gladstone's character and the wide range of subjects which aroused his interest.

One of the curious things about him which this book shows is the effect he had on people of the most different kind. Gladstone has often been denounced, with very little justice, as a demagogue; and there were times no doubt when his influence on "the masses" was overwhelming, but his influence on some of the finest minds of his time was hardly less remarkable. Florence Nightingale wrote, in rather an obscure phrase—though the general sense is clear enough—that she "would put off the universe" to see him, and used to write him long and eloquent letters, one of which is here given. Newman, just before his death, wrote in a shaky handwriting: "I have known and admired you so long," and sent his blessing. John Bright from his deathbed sent him a message of thanks for all his kindness to him. Tennyson, as he lay dying, muttered, "Have I not been with Gladstone in the garden showing him my trees?" And Tyndall, when he was 70 and Gladstone was 80, first attacked him in a speech of "extraordinary virulence," and then wrote him a charming letter proposing that they should go to Switzerland together.

The Sicilian Mule.

It is a pity, perhaps, when space was apparently so limited—for the book contains only 118 small pages—that any of it should have been given to repeating passages, however interesting, that are already to be found in Morley's Life. But this book, however slight, is extremely interesting, and that curiously pathetic story of the mule would alone be sufficient to recommend it. Let me repeat it, if I can, with its proper setting. Gladstone, aged 85, and now infirm and half blind, had had his last audience with the Queen, for whom he had, in spite of all her ill-treatment of him, an extraordinary veneration. He had hoped that at the end she might have said some word of kindness; but the Queen said nothing. And as he broods over his long service and its hard ending, his mind goes back to the end of a tour he had made in Sicily forty-six years before; and he writes down on paper what was never to pass the door of his lips, for he would never allow himself to utter any criticism of the Queen:—

> In the autumn of 1838 I made the *Gita* of Sicily . . in two or three weeks, riding on the back of a mule. . . . We rode usually with little interval from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. and its undemonstrative, unsympathetic service was not inefficiently performed. In due time we arrived at Messina. . . . There my mule and I of necessity parted company. But I well remember having at the time an experience which was not wholly unlike a turn of indigestion I had been on the back of the beast for many scores of hours. It had done me no wrong; it had rendered me much valuable service; but it was in vain to argue; . I could not get up the smallest shred of feeling for the brute; I could neither love nor like it. . . . What that Sicilian mule was to me, I have been to the Queen; and the fortnight or three weeks are represented by fifty-two or fifty-three years.

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"The Rise of General Bonaparte." By Spenser Wilkinson. (Clarendon Press. 12s. 6d.)

Reviewed by HENRY MURRAY.

This is an excellent book, much of the excellence of which results from its extreme simplicity of plan and treatment. Mr Spenser Wilkinson makes no attempt to add to the hundred and one different estimates, varying between the almost wholly condemnatory judgment of Taine and the sugary eulogy of M. Arthur-Lévy, of Napoleon's character, which will for ever render that character a matter of dispute hopelessly beyond settlement. He is concerned with Napoleon simply and merely as a soldier, and, so voluntarily limited, a military historian of his talent and erudition could hardly fail to produce an admirable study.

The Craftsman of War.

Somebody has said that the genius of Voltaire was hardly anything but a sort of almost preternatural commonsense. The same might be said, with even greater truth, of the genius of Napoleon. Until, drunk with success, he made the mad and criminal mistake of invading Russia, that quality shone in his every action. In love with war from a child, and convinced in his teens of a capacity for command, he bent every power of a capacious mind and an unflinching will upon the study of his chosen pursuit. He recognised from the first that war is an art based on science, and that the finest uncultivated genius would no more secure predominance in war than it would produce great painting, great statuary, or great music. Before he had ever smelled gunpowder he knew military history and the theory of war as a sailor knows the compass. At St. Helena he said to Gourgaud, "I have fought sixty battles, and I have learned nothing which I did not know at the beginning." (It was characteristic of a vanity as colossal as his genius that he said, and perhaps came to believe, that he owed practically nothing to his intense study of the tacticians of all time, from Alexander down to those of his own youth, and that his conceptions of strategy and tactics were the fruits only of native capacity.) His knowledge of detail, much of it of a kind which most generals neglect altogether, was wonderful. It was no idle boast that he made to Roederer—"There is nothing in war that I cannot do myself. If there is nobody to make gunpowder I can manufacture it; limbers, I know how to make them; if guns must be cast, I can arrange their casting; the details of drill, if they have to be taught I can teach." Such a devotion to a craft would have made an able practitioner of any man of ordinary intelligence; united with the vivid intelligence, the adamantine will power, and the colossal capacity for labour which characterised Napoleon it made the greatest soldier of all time.

Mr. Wilkinson's Stopping-Point.

Mr. Wilkinson's study of Napoleon's active career extends only from the date at which, despite the hampering stupidity of his chiefs, the young officer of artillery succeeded in freeing Toulon from the grip of the British fleet to the battle of Lodi, the splendid consummation of that brief four weeks of "incredible activity in which the ragged and starving hordes of the Republic scattered, like dust before the breeze, the power of Austria." He gives an excellent reason for making that his stopping-point. The period he covers "contained the germ and more than the germ, of all Napoleon's future exploits. It exemplified all his principles." To know Napoleon's opening campaign is to know all of any importance about him as a soldier.

IN JEST AND EARNEST.

"The Sisters Jest and Earnest." By Principal Maurice Hutton. (Hodder and Stoughton. 12s. 6d.)

The habit of subjecting their lucubrations, even when of a miscellaneous character, to the strain of re-issue in book form is increasing among public speakers. No doubt some pearls of speech are thus rescued from oblivion, but the rhetorical periods and flourishes which sounded so impressive when delivered *ore rotundo* seldom prove to be in harmony with the best traditions of written English prose. The reader's attention is fatigued by sesquipedalian sentences which pursue their serpentine way through brackets and parentheses, and only reach their close by the aid of several "I repeats." Principal Hutton offends in this respect. He aptly describes his discourses as "rambling"; he indicates their quality in so doing, but does not justify it. Indeed, it is strange that one who has been occupied for fifty years with the study and exposition of Greek literature should not have achieved a more concise and chaster style.

The most remarkable thing in this volume is a rhymed Greek version, preserving also the metre of the original, of "The Walrus and the Carpenter." If we are right in attributing this to Principal Hutton, it raises him to a very high level of scholarship. Every scholar will revel in its happy turns of speech. This brilliant gem is embedded in the ore of a lecture on "Alice," which, with another on W. S Gilbert's librettos, exemplifies the Principal's jesting vein. They were instigated by a belief that Canadian undergraduates knew little of these classics. Indeed, the Principal fears that they know less of their Dickens than they should, for he tells us that when he had occasion to quote to his class: "Miss Bolo went home in a bath-chair and a flood of tears," the words were received with looks of blank perplexity. But perhaps it was the transformation of the *Sedan* chair which puzzled his hearers?

THE AUTHOR OF "MODERN FRANCE."

"Memoir of John Edward Courtenay Bodley," By Shane Leslie. (Cape. 15s.)

Reviewed by H. C. MINCHIN.

An enigmatic personality and a remarkable career are reflected in Mr. Shane Leslie's biographical mirror. Bodley's one great achievement, to which his whole life may be regarded as a prelude, was his "Modern France," a work quite as enthusiastically welcomed across the Channel as in England. The author increased his fame by composing in the French language a version which won him the exceptional honour of being made a member of the French Institute; and in describing him as a herald of the Entente Cordiale, Mr. Leslie claims for Bodley only his due. The Englishman had written of France without fear or favour. "The tone of my writings," to quote from a letter to his publishers, "will never be affected by the fear that my opinions may be unpopular. I am not a parliamentary candidate, so I try to guide opinion and not to follow it." Yet his success was tinged by the sense of disappointment which always seemed to attend his activities; for his pecuniary harvest from the book was inadequate, and after the Armistice he felt most keenly the neglect of our representatives at Versailles, who made no offer to avail themselves of his unrivalled knowledge of France and her people. It was not in Bodley's nature, however, to push his claims.

His Friendships.

We trace this fatality in the journals which he kept from his Oxford days onward, and from which Mr. Leslie quotes copiously. He was thrown into the society of persons who later became unhappily notorious. Intimate with Oscar Wilde at Oxford—"he found it difficult to follow the exquisite jargon which rippled between him and Walter Pater as from one shallow speaking to another"—he tried to befriend him after his downfall. Another chance meeting, "casual yet causal" (in Mr. Leslie's phrase), this time with Sir Charles Dilke, had momentous results. Bodley forsook the Bar, to which by his father's wish he had been called, to become Dilke's private secretary, and was disinherited in consequence. On Dilke's being driven from office, he found his occupation gone, and travelled extensively in South Africa, Canada, and the States with the highest introductions everywhere. He enjoyed the close friendship of Cardinal Manning, whose biographer he might have been but for a scrupulosity which caused that task to be usurped by Purcell. Then he settled in France for a prolonged period.

Attitude to Religion.

He had a second important work on the stocks, a survey of the church in France. The introduction to it, and some important sections, now for the first time printed, enhance the value of Mr. Leslie's book. Ill-health prevented its completion. Bodley displays an intensive interest in Roman Catholicism, while remaining himself a Church-of-England man of a detached character, with an equal dislike of Anglo-Catholicism and Modernism. "Who is Clutton Brock?" he inquired, irritably, when a friend (the Rev. Alfred Fawkes, an adventurer in two communions, who has just died) told him of the religious influence exercised by that unclerical author. Perhaps his own standpoint might be described as Christian theism with good music.

He had a just idea of his own importance. He wrote, by request, an account of the Coronation of King Edward VII., and was incensed on receiving as a reward the fourth class of the Victorian Order. He actually returned the decoration, though he had received it from the King's own hand. This impulsive act was not forgiven. But in general Bodley was, alike in looks, bearing, and conduct, the model of a grand seigneur. He had a taste for satirical comment, which is shared by his biographer. Mr. Leslie has preserved and published some stinging remarks on personages who are still with us. Proclaiming that "the art of biography is the art of winnowing," he might have used his fan rather more drastically in the English and American diaries. But his book, even in this crowded hour of publications, is far too interesting to be overlooked.

HISTORY OF SPAIN.

"A History of Spanish Civilisation." By Rafael Altamiro, Translated by P. Volkov. (Constable. 21s.)

This book, we are informed, is Professor Altamiro's own abridgment of his four-volume history of Spain—a history which has already proved its value to the serious student. The present volume, as Mr. J. B. Trend says in his preface—

> . . . describes enough of the political background and the international relationships of each period for any reader to know where he stands; it explains not only what Spanish institutions were in existence at various times and what functions they performed, but also what was being written and painted, thought and written. Travellers are apt to look for the traces of a civilisation entirely in art or ancient monuments, scholars in its literature or philosophy. For Professor Altamiro there are other monuments no less important: institutions, customs, laws, which have come down from ancient times and can still be observed in operation to-day. His book is, in fact, an answer to the question why Spanish things are as they are—both in Europe and America.

Professor Altamiro proceeds by methodical stages from the primitive age to the beginning of the twentieth century. He devotes a good deal of attention to pre-Roman Spain before he passes on to the Roman colonial period. He shows us in succession the Visigoth domination, the Muslim domination, and the Christian reconquest. Particular attention is paid in the sections which follow to the colonisation of Latin America; and the book closes with a very full and valuable bibliography and a map.

THE CHASE.

"Foxhunting." The Lonsdale Library. Vol. VII. (Seeley Service. 25s.)

Reviewed by MAJOR the HON. J. C. DARLING.

Mr. Jorrocks tells us in one of his lectures that if a man has read Geoffrey Gambado's book on "ossmanship," "dull must be the dog wot needs to go to a riding-school." Similarly, I would say, "dull must be the dog who has read this book and has not learnt a good bit about hunting." Hunting cannot, of course, be learnt by studying the theory only, but reading good advice on the subject will increase enormously the interest of riding to hounds, and most of us, whether experienced or not, can learn a lot from this admirable book. The authors have obtained the services of a number of people well known in the hunting field to contribute chapters on various aspects of the chase.

Sir Charles Frederick deals with hunting in the past, the duties of M.F.H. and secretary, the care of fox coverts, customs of the hunting field, hunting accidents, a day with the Pytchley, and a foxhunter's bookshelf. As regards comparison with the past, Sir Charles tells us "the foxhunter has generally looked back on the past with respectful admiration, detected some signs of deterioration in the conditions of the moment, and regarded the future with unconcealed apprehension." He tells us how "Scrutator" regretted the change to short, quick hunts, over by about 3 p.m., from the former practice of "rattling about big woodlands from changing foxes till ten or twelve at night." This Sir Charles considers a change for the better, and I for one agree with him.

Hound Discipline.

The honour of writing on "the huntsman in the field" has been given to Mr. Isaac Bell, and to me this is the most interesting chapter of all. I had the good fortune to see Mr. Bell hunting the Kilkenny hounds in 1909, and he certainly seemed an expert then. Now he is probably one of the best amateur huntsmen in the land. He teaches us some things that do not occur to everyone, and is very insistent on "hound discipline." He has a lot to say, of course, on the casting of hounds at a check, having regard to scenting conditions and the hundred and one other things that a huntsman must bear in mind.

The "Modern Foxhound" is written by Major Maurice Barclay, M.F.H., and here again the editors have certainly hit on the right man for the job. "Kennel Management" is dealt with by Colonel "Peach" Borwick, M.F.H., late of the Scots Greys, and he seems to have made as great a study of this topic as he did formerly of the art of equitation, though even when chief instructor at the Cavalry School I remember that he gave a very good lecture on foxhunting, starting off with the statement that "hunting, unlike matrimony, must not be taken in hand inadvisedly or lightly." I regretted at first that it had not been left to him to write on "Riding to Hounds," but I see that this subject also is in very good hands, being entrusted to Colonel Brooke, late 16th Lancers.

There is a chapter on foxes and game preserving, in which we are told that "foxes eat many kinds of food from geese to blackberries." If the advice given in this chapter were followed more closely, they would have to eat more blackberries to make up for the birds they could not then get at. Even so, I think that rabbit is the best diet for them, and few people would grudge them a nice bit of bunny.

Hunting Districts.

Several chapters are devoted to hunting in different special parts of the British Isles, and in each case the task has been allotted to individuals thoroughly competent of performing the work. As an instance I may mention "Hunting in Ireland," described by Mr. A. P. Pollok, M.F.H. This sportsman has hunted most of the Irish packs himself, it seems to me, and I personally enjoyed good sport with the Kildare under him about 1907. These chapters are, to my mind, most interesting. A sportsman from the "cut-me-downs" can read how the thing is done in Lakeland, though he will probably not envy the lot of the man who is condemned to follow hounds on foot. Other districts specially mentioned include Scotland, Yorkshire, the Home Counties, the West, and Gloucestershire. The last-mentioned is written by Lord Bathurst, M.F.H. He quotes an instance which serves to show how hunting has not deteriorated to quite the extent some people would have us think. Our mouths are made to water, as it were, with an account of a run having a point of twenty-three miles, which was said to have taken place in 1795. His lordship has examined the details, and finds that whereas the contemporary writer gave the point as twenty-three miles, it was in fact only twelve or thirteen. This is, of course, a good point, but foxes do sometimes achieve such things even now in this degenerate age.

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Reviewed by DILYS POWELL.

The proper study of mankind may be man; but the favourite study of man is almost certainly himself, and Mr. Woodruff, in writing about Britannia, is from the start certain of attention. He is the more certain of it since he is no flatterer. The English, as he says, are quite pleased to read criticism of themselves "provided it is criticism of a sort they can easily understand. Moreover, they admire anybody who attacks them, which they conceive to be a very brave thing to do." And Mr. Woodruff was so successful in applying the method of the Socratic dialogue to the problem of America a few years ago that the reader will begin "Plato's Britannia" with the highest hopes.

He will, it must be admitted, be a little disappointed with the first two Books. Mr. Woodruff represents Socrates as brought to England on a mission innocently connected with the Rhodes scholars, and thereafter discussing in his usual manner the habits and institutions of the English. But instead of concentrating at once on the essential characteristics of the race Socrates begins by describing London from the point of view of one unaccustomed to modern cities, by marvelling at its omnibuses and its underground lifts and its clubrooms. It needed no Socrates come from the grave to give us this view of civilisation; and after all Mr. Woodruff's Socrates has been to America. But when Mr. Woodruff—or Socrates—warms up to his subject we are given a genuine criticism of British institutions. On the subject of the Empire he is particularly effective. "The world's gate crashers, the guests who never leave," a critic calls our "Empire-builders"; and there is a good ironic picture of the consolation prize awarded to subject races deprived of the frequent use of the assegai: "Cricket's compulsory right through the Empire, two days a week—that's why the King carries a bat in one hand and a ball in the other when he sits on his throne on his coronation day."

On Education.

Mr. Woodruff makes an excellent point when he contrasts the practice and the preaching of liberty. The English, he says,

> do not know where to stop, and in a very few years they find they have educated up their subjects to be rebels; for it is the burden of an English education that liberty is a fine thing, and all the rebellions that were successful in their own history are praised and the leaders greatly admired.

There are some delicious remarks about University education. "The English," says Socrates "would begin to admire professors as soon as it was known that they received £10,000 a year."

But above all Mr. Woodruff stresses the commercialism of Britannia. He holds that the commercial achievements of the nineteenth century were not to be considered as lasting, and that we must be content to aim at some lesser standard of material success. He looks to a retreat from industrialism as the greatest good, and describes the possession of wealth as, if not the root of evil, at any rate a poor substitute for the root of good. "The bulk of the English," he remarks wittily, "can see no other way of obtaining much money except by having a bad accident, and will not willingly give up hope." The whole book is, indeed, extraordinarily witty; but in place of another witticism I will quote one of Mr. Woodruff's serious remarks. "Sorrow," he says, "is a great teacher, and the English have had their minds turned to the deeper things of life by their sad skies." I do not for a moment think that is true; the Greeks, after all, turned their minds to the "deeper things of life" without the assistance of an English sky. But Mr. Woodruff has expressed in that sentence something of the qualities in the English which produced a Milton or, of lesser degree, a Gray.

Mr. Nevinson's Britannia.

"Rough Islanders" is an expanded and illustrated version of a sixpenny pamphlet, "The English," which Mr. H. W. Nevinson wrote a year or two ago. As a study of our national characteristics it is more detailed and more methodical than Mr. Woodruff's Socratic comments; it has, too, more bias in favour of the deserving poor. But in spite of the fact that Mr. Nevinson is more explicit in his affection for England than Mr. Woodruff (who doubtless is not unattached to his country), he is capable of a good deal of quiet irony at the expense of his compatriots; for instance, in his judgment of Queen Victoria, who

> restored a waning respect for Royalty by her innocence, her decent behaviour, general good sense, occasional flashes of genius, and the rapid growth of her family. This respect she gradually increased by profound mourning for her Consort, by living to a great age, arranging suitable marriages for her sons and daughters among the kindred Royal Houses of Germany, and by bestowing her confidence upon a singularly fascinating and imaginative Prime Minister of Jewish origin, though she maintained a marked hostility towards an English statesman who possessed every fascinating power but flattery.

This is one of the rare cases of a short book lengthened without detriment.

The Censorship.

A side-light is thrown on this England by "Keeping It Dark," an entertaining book on the working of the censorship. "In this little book," says Miss Rebecca West in her preface, "Mr. Causton and Mr. Young have, it seems, very handily put together a body of information regarding the operation of the censorship in this country. That is to say, it is a little book that everybody with a social conscience should make a point of reading; for there can be no doubt that the censorship is a moral danger of the same nature as those which it attempts to suppress." Mr. Causton and Mr. Young deal with censorship as it can affect the Press, the theatre, the cinema, the picture gallery, and the published book; also as it is practised by the Customs official and the amateur crusader. They come to the conclusion that "the greatest danger to civilisation lies in the polite disregard of unexpressed, unrecognised prejudices, which, from mistaken notions of right-mindedness, good manners, security even, are being constantly driven underground so soon as they emerge to view." A valuable survey.

A TUDOR DUCHESS.

"A Woman of the Tudor Age." By Lady Cecilie Goff. (Murray. 18s.)

"A lady of sharp wit, and sure hand to thrust it home, and make it pierce when she pleased"—such is Fuller's description of the subject of Lady Cecilie Goff's biography. Katherine Willoughby needed all her wit, indeed, if she would keep her head, for she lived in troublous times, and was not one to be false to her convictions in the hour of peril. During Henry VIII.'s reign she enjoyed security as the fourth wife of Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk, so much eclipsed by her husband that Lady Cecilie, while drawing a picture of the society in which she passed her days, has discovered little that throws light upon her character. But the accession of Edward VI. found the Duchess a widow, zealous for the welfare of her young family, and throwing in her lot with Latimer, Bucer, and the other reformers of religion. It was well for her that she married, shortly before the Boy-King's death, her gentleman usher, Richard Bertie, a "new man," but a man of integrity and education, for she soon stood in need of a protector.

More fortunate than most, the Duchess and her husband returned from exile in Elizabeth's reign, and once more knew prosperity. The Duchess occupied a great position in Lincolnshire, and was much employed in arranging suitable matches for the son and daughter that she bore to Bertie. A notable woman, she is no less fortunate in her biographer than she was in marriage.

BRIDGE

Conducted by YARBOROUGH.

TWO DIFFICULT HANDS TO BID.

I sometimes hear it urged that the development of scientific principles of bidding at Contract—such as I am always advocating—will ultimately spoil Contract as a game by making it too easy. I can never bring myself to believe that this is true. In the first place, the inculcation of the aforementioned scientific principles takes a very long time; there are many players who will never master them, and many others who will die in the last ditch rather than be dictated to. And in the second place, there will always be hands which—however precise one's system of bidding may be—will involve perplexity and tears. Here are two examples which occurred recently in the course of a single rubber. I wonder how many of my readers are satisfied that they would have known, with any certainty, what to do on either of these occasions:—

HAND I.

The score is: YZ, one game: AB 90 to love in the second game; A deals, and A, Y, and B all pass. Z holds:

♠ K Q 8 ♥ A Q J 10 ♦ J 9 5 ♣ Q J 10

What is Z to bid on a hand like this? It is worth, to begin with, rather more than three Quick Tricks, it contains 100 honours in Hearts, and its defensive value is so high as to render it extremely unlikely that the adversaries can get away with a call. On the other hand, there is the risk that, if the bidding is opened, Z will be pushed into a higher bid than he is in fact able to make. Z decides to take the risk. If his partner has, say, one of the missing Aces and the King of Clubs, there is a chance of game and rubber. He opens the bidding with "One Heart."

A now calls "One Spade"; Y, "Two Hearts"; and B, "Two Spades." This is very interesting calling. A's "push" at the score needs no justification; his hand is very nearly worth an original bid. Y finds himself in a very awkward situation. If he leaves in the bid of "One Spade," he may well see the game given away; he argues that Z would not have opened the bidding, fourth in hand and vulnerable, unless he were prepared to see it carried further. Hence his quite unjustifiable bid of "Two Hearts." I think Y's only sound course is to pass, leaving Z to extricate himself from his own dilemma; but if Y wants to bid at all, he should say "One No-trump." B's bid is a semi-bluff; he sees the chance of pushing Z "over the edge," and little risk in the support he is giving his partner, as they are not vulnerable and both have passed on the first round.

Z, having set up the dilemma already referred to, is now impaled on the horns of it. If he leaves in the adverse bid of "Two Spades," he may well see the game lost; if he bids "Three Hearts" he may be "set" for one or more tricks, or even pushed up to an unobtainable "Four." Again, however, he takes the risk. His bid of "Three Hearts" is left in, and he goes down three tricks, losing 500 points, less 100 for honours. This heavy loss, however, was due to bad play on Z's part; in a desperate effort to make his contract he unsuccessfully "ran" A's second Diamond up to his Knave, and so presented A with a ruff. The hands were as follows:—

Y: ♠ J 7 5 4 ♥ 9 6 3 ♦ K 6 3 ♣ 4 3 2

A: ♠ A 10 9 2 ♥ K 5 4 ♦ A 7 ♣ 9 8 7 5

B: ♠ 6 3 ♥ 8 7 2 ♦ Q 10 8 4 2 ♣ A K 6

Z: ♠ K Q 8 ♥ A Q J 10 ♦ J 9 5 ♣ Q J 10

HAND II.

The score is love all in the rubber game. A deals, and, as before, A, Y, and B all pass. Z holds:

♠ A K Q 10 6 ♥ A 4 2 ♦ K ♣ A Q J 10

This is an extraordinarily difficult hand to bid. Game is almost—but not quite—certain, and there is a possible Slam in the offing. Z has a number of alternatives: (1) "One Spade"; (2) "Two Spades"; (3) "Three Spades"; (4) "Four Spades." Many players would open with "Two Spades." The objection to doing so is that partner has almost certainly a poor hand; the call, therefore, can only be passed up to him where it is understood that he will make a conventional response to the opening "Two" bid, however bad his hand may be. This understanding existed, in the present instance, between Z and Y, who were playing the "forcing" system. Now the "forcing" system demands a minimum of five Quick Tricks, and Z's hand, massive as it is, is half a Quick Trick short, for the Queen of Spades cannot be counted in addition to the Ace and King; nor can the unguarded King of Diamonds. An opening bid of "Two Spades" is therefore ruled out.

But if "Two Spades" cannot be bid, what is there to be said for "One Spade" or "Three Spades"? The chance that Y will support the former call is almost negligible; and he will only support the latter if he has, say, one Quick Trick in his hand and a favourable suit distribution. The chances of this seem more remote to Z than the chance of his failing to make "Four Spades"—though the latter bid, with only five trumps in his hand, involves definite risks. Z decides to take them, and opens with a bid of "Four." Here are the hands:—

Y: ♠ 9 7 3 ♥ 8 6 ♦ 10 9 8 6 4 ♣ 9 5 3

A: ♠ J 8 5 4 2 ♥ J 3 ♦ A J 5 2 ♣ 8 7

B: ♠ None ♥ K Q 10 9 7 5 ♦ Q 7 3 ♣ K 6 4 2

Z: ♠ A K Q 10 6 ♥ A 4 2 ♦ K ♣ A Q J 10

Z made his contract, but only because his adversaries treated him rather kindly. A, having with great restraint refrained from doubling, opened with the Ace of Diamonds. He then led a small Diamond, forcing one of Z's trumps. Z now played the Ace of Hearts, followed by a small one, as clearly his only chance of making his contract was to ruff a Heart in dummy and take his finesse in Clubs. B took the second Heart trick and led a Club himself; this was a mistake. Had he continued the Diamonds, Z's contract must have been defeated, and even as it was Z only got home through a slip on the part of B.

No system of calling, however precise or carefully elaborated, would make either of these hands an easy one to bid.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

G. D. A. (Griffield).—There is no penalty for a revoke by dummy as the adversaries can themselves see what he is doing. His proper card should have been played to the trick, and the trump restored to his hand.

L. B. O'H. (Bury St. Edmunds).—At Auction, with the score at love all, the dealer holding Spades, A, Q, 10, 7; Hearts, Q, 9, 8, 4; Diamonds, 10, 6; Clubs, A, Q, J, should, in my opinion, bid "One Spade." I should not, however, regard a bid of "One No-trump" as wrong.

R. H. (W.2.).—I am sorry you have been kept waiting for an answer; your previous letter must have gone astray. At Auction, where Z deals and bids "One Club," A "doubles," and Y passes, B, holding Spades, 7, 5, 3; Hearts, K, 9, 4; Diamonds, 10, 2; Clubs, J, 9, 8, 7, 6, should bid "One No-trump."

Miss A. B. (S.W.3.).—At Auction, score love all, Z deals and calls "One Heart"; A doubles; Y passes. B, holding Spades, J, x, x; Hearts, 9, x, x, x; Diamonds, J, x, x; Clubs, Q, x, x, should bid "Two Clubs." The hand is a particularly unpleasant one to bid, but "Two Clubs" gives A the best chance of calling his own strongest suit.

F. S. (Catford).—1. Z in error plays a card before the Auction is completed. The player on his left (A) can demand a new deal. If he does not choose to do so, Z's card is taken up again and the bidding proceeds. There is no further penalty. 2. A is playing a hand and it is Y's turn to lead; Z leads in error. A may either call a suit from Y or treat the card led by Z as an exposed card. He cannot do both.

J. B. (Aberdeen).—At Auction, Z deals and bids "One No-trump"; A, "Two Hearts"; Y and B pass. Z now doubles A's bid, and Y passes, holding that Z's double is for "business." Z maintains that as he (Y) has not called, Z's double is informatory.—This difficulty is constantly arising as there is no uniformity of practice. Personally, with a partner I could rely on, I should leave the double in.

Captain A. C. (S.W.5).—With two tricks to play, it was discovered that dummy was a card short. The tricks were gathered together and counted, and the pack was then found to be complete. Is there a penalty?—This is rather a curious point, but it seems to me to be covered by Rule 43 (2): "If a quitted trick contains more than four cards, and there is any doubt as to which card was included therein in error, the decision rests with the opponents of the player whose hand is deficient," i.e., the decision as to whether or not there should be a new deal.

A. M. M. (Glasgow).—I am sorry you do not agree with my reply to A. E. J., but I think

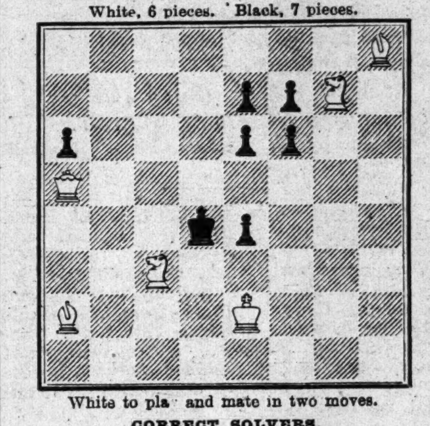
Continued at foot of next column.

CHESS.

By L. VAN VLIET.

Solution of Problem No. 2,318: 1. Kt—B8, K—B4; 2. R—K2! any move; 3. Kt—K6 mate. If 1. . . B—Kt5; 2. R x QP, any move; 3. R, or Kt mates accordingly. If 1. . . any other move, then, 2. R—K4 (ch)! any move; 3. Kt mates accordingly. Several "tries" are defeated by R x B; or, if 1. R x QP (?), by: B—B6; or B—Kt6; 2. Kt—B8, K—B4. 1. K—Kt6 (?), is defeated by B—B6; and also by R x B; and 2. . . R—Kt8 (ch). The main play is: K—B4; 2. R—K2!! The only move.

PROBLEM No. 2,319.—By A. K. ELWORTHY, Hove.
White, 6 pieces. Black, 7 pieces.



White to play and mate in two moves.

CORRECT SOLVERS.

Additional solutions of Problem No. 2,317 are acknowledged from C. V. Bean, W. G. Clarke, Cyrus, Dr. D. H. Fraser, K. S. Frisby, G. Ingledew, Horace H. King, T. G. Laslett, F. H. Merrick, A. M. Pass, K. M. Pugh, J. Silbersweig, E. C. de Segundo, and W. Winter.

Problem No. 2,318 has been correctly solved by: Clephane, Dr. Edridge-Green, J. E. Vaughan ("Most subtle after 1. . . K—B4"), I. M. Brown ("The main variation, 2. R—K2, is very good"), H. C. Robson, Admiral Stuart Nicholson, E. F. Cowen ("Clever rook play"), F. C. Saville ("Very pretty key"), L. G. Arnold ("Provided hours of interest"), F. Hurst ("A brilliant problem!"), R. H. Thompson, E. A. Lassen, H. H. Greenway ("Interesting variations"), K. T. B. Scott, V. G. Walrond, Arbieff, J. P. Orr ("A model, or pure mate, in reply to 1. . . K—B4!"), H. W. Meadows, Martha Gasquoine, J. F. Robins, W. G. Lowe, S. W. Garrod, P. Martin, Edgley, Tramp, F. E. Peake, C. E. Craig, J. I. Binks, A. Wingate, F. H. Taylor ("In the main play, 2. R—K4, is defeated by B—Kt5"), F. W. Pepper, R. W. Hopkins, B. C. Dickinson, H. Forouher, W. R. Rayer, K. S. Frisby ("An exceptionally fine key-move"), C. H. R. Crosby ("The play following 1. . . K—B4; is delightful!"), J. Silbersweig, D. Corby, Mala, V. H. Sladen, E. C. de Segundo, and A. G. Soames ("A very good problem with pleasing variations").

MR. I. KASHDAN'S PLAY.

Mr. I. Kashdan, Champion of the Manhattan Chess Club of New York, is usually referred to in the Press as "the young American master." He is, however, twenty-five years old; almost a mature age for eminent Chess experts. Paul Morphy, of New Orleans, may be said to have conquered the world of Chess before he was twenty-three; and that other brilliant American, the late Harry Nelson Pillsbury, of Boston, won the first prize—in front of Lasker, Steinitz, and Tchigorin—in the memorable Chess Congress at Hastings, 1895, ahead of his twenty-fourth birthday. Capablanca defeated the United States Champion, F. J. Marshall, in a long protracted match in New York, 1909, by eight games to one, and fourteen draws, at the age of twenty-one; and two years later, at San Sebastian, Spain, he won the first prize in an international tournament in front of Rubinstein and several other first-rate masters. Lasker, Maroczy, Rubinstein, and Niemzowitsch had each one made sensational reputations in Chess before the age of twenty-five. Mr. Kashdan, as we stated last week, recently won a tourney at Stockholm; but the present World Champion, Dr. Alekhine, won a similar tourney at Stockholm when he was twenty!

Subjoined is an example of the "Young American's" play from the recent Frankfort Tournament:—

	White. N. Mannheimer.	Black. I. Kashdan.		White. N. Mannheimer.	Black. I. Kashdan.
1	P—Q4	Kt—KB3	13	Q x R	Castles
2	P—QB4	P—K3	14	Q—B3 (e)	B—Kt2
3	Kt—KB3	P—Q4	15	Q—B4 (f)	Kt—K5 !
4	B—B4 (a)	P x P	16	P—B3	Kt x Kt (g)
5	P—K3? (b)	B—Kt5 (ch)	17	Kt x Kt	R—K sq (h)
6	KKt—Q2	P—QKt4	18	Q—R4	P—K4 !
7	P—QR4	P—B3	19	Q—B2	P x P
8	P x P	P x P	20	P—K4	P—B4 (i)
9	B x Kt	R x B	21	K—Q sq	B x Kt
10	R x P (c)	B—R4 !	22	K x B	P x P
11	Q—B3 (d)	Q—Kt3	23	P x P	Q—R4 (ch)
12	R—R8	R x R		Resigns (j)	

(a) Much stronger is, 4. Kt—B3, or B—Kt5.

(b) Why not Q—R4 (ch), at once recovering the pawn?

(c) Having now regained his pawn, but with the inferior position; the penalty of procrastination.

(d) The only move to save his rook.

(e) The Queen was threatened with extinction by B—Kt2.

(f) Considerably better was 15 Q—Q sq.

(g) Stronger, and perhaps speedier, seems: 16. . . P—B6; 17. Kt x P (if 17. P x Kt, P—B7!), Kt x Kt; 18. P x Kt, B x P; threatening Q—R4.

(h) With a view to P—K4; 19. P x P, R—Q sq!

(i) After this, as far as White is concerned, there is no more to be said.

(j) Mate, in a few moves, is certain. Mr. Kashdan's play in this game was sound and forceful; but he was amiably assisted by his opponent, who seems to need more experience.

Mr. Kashdan will probably be seen in England, at Hastings, in the Christmas Congress of the Hastings Chess Club in competition with Capablanca and eight other players.

ACROSTICS.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,347.

(The Eleventh of the Quarter.)

Writer and traveller please call to mind,
Clovis and Como might so be defined.

1. Part of a ship this is; were it turned round,
National emblem would surely be found.
2. Think of an island; two others quite near
Principally greater and smaller appear.
3. The lazy creature that headless we see
Frequently breakfasts at five o'clock tea.
4. Here the alternatives seem just the same;
Countryman should be to judge by his name.

IXION.

Solutions, addressed to the Acrostic Editor, must reach the office of the SUNDAY TIMES, 135, Fleet Street, London E.C 4, not later than by first post on Friday next.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,346, AND ANSWER.

When the Armistice came, what a boon it was reckoned,
For everyone longed for my first to be second.

1. A German city, with much to admire,
But the rubbishy part you'll not require.
2. Ancient the tribe, and warlike the folk,
And their queen withstood the invaders' yoke.
3. At one time freely in use, I am told,
In Austria silver, in Germany gold.
4. If the suicide's courage should fail at the end,
The job was completed sometimes by a friend.
5. This river is English, entirely so,
And yet the middle is Scotch, you know.
6. Add to a flower an aspirate,
And a nation find that has changed its state.
7. He lacks experience, do you state?
Well, that is no vice, at any rate.
8. A fish and a plank, combine the two,
And the strake of a vessel will come to view.

H. M. G.

1. F R A N K F
2. I C E N I
3. G U L D E N
4. H A R A K I R I
5. T H A M E S
6. I R I S H
7. N O V I C E
8. G A R B O A R D

NOTES.—Light 1. Frankfort, ort. 2. Boadicea. 4. Various spellings. 5. Hame.

Double Acrostic No. 1,345 (Fire Work).—Answers were received from 111 solvers, 45 of whom gained full marks.

KICK, SOHAM.—All is well.

KIBOB.—If "Lachen," to laugh, were an English word, your answer would be good; being foreign, it is inferior as an acrostic answer.

Continued from preceding column.

your suggestions are unconsciously influenced by your having seen all four hands. To bid "Two Spades" over "One No-trump," holding: J, x, x, x, x, would really be very bad. I agree with you that the leads against an adverse "No-trump" bid are not as well known as they ought to be. At the same time, there are some exceptions to your generalisations. The King, for example, should, in my opinion, be led from Ace, King, and four or more small cards where the leader has a card of entry.

A. Z. (Southampton).—Z dealt. Before he had spoken, A, Y, and B in succession said "No Bid," and exposed their hands on the table. Z, having studied the three hands, bid "One No-trump." A claimed the right to continue the bidding. Can the claim be sustained?—This is a very curious situation. Y, B, and Z could each in turn claim a penalty, viz., a new deal, for the exposure of his right-hand neighbour's cards. As none of them did so, the bidding should have proceeded in the ordinary way, i.e., the three hands should have been taken up again, and bidding continued as from Z's "No-trump."

Vivian.—The bidding is as follows:—Z, "One No-trump"; A, "Two Diamonds"; Y "Two No-trumps"; B, "Three Spades." Should Z now call "Three No-trumps" with the virtual certainty of making game and rubber, or should he double "Three Spades," with the strong probability of putting the adversaries two or three down?—I would not care to give a definite opinion without seeing the hands. The question is not one of the conventional significance of bids, but purely of mathematics. There is no justification, however, for Y's contention that his call of "Two No-trumps" is a direction to his partner to double any call made by B.

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We cannot learn too much about India. The latest light on this very delicate subject will be "Uphill Steps in India," an Allen and Unwin book, in which Miss M. L. Christlieb will follow up her "Uphill Road in India." India from the inside will be shown in a Kegan Paul book, "Co-operation in Bombay," a series of short stories written by practical workers in the movement in Bombay and edited by Prof. H. L. Kaji.

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A book of unusual interest is coming from the Cambridge University Press in the shape of Mr. C. W. Crawley's "Question of Greek Independence," a study of British policy in the Near East, 1821-33, if only because Byron and a Scots Grey officer, who, curiously enough, never met, figured in the struggle.

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Commodore Samson's "Flight from Cairo to the Cape," which Sir Ernest Benn will publish, precedes the start of the Imperial Airways regular service next year. It is three years since the Commodore took this big "hop."

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An anthology from such old-fashioned nineteenth century annuals as the "Keepsake" has been made by Dorothy Wellesley, with an introduction by V. Sackville-West. It will be issued next week by Mr. Cobden-Sanderson, who is publishing a little later "The Poems of Edmund Blunden, 1914-1930." A number of the poems will appear for the first time.

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Few men not actually in the trade know more about bookselling than Mr. Mumby, who has now revised for Mr. Cape his well-known "Romance of Bookselling," for many changes have overtaken bookselling since he first wrote about it. It will be accompanied by a comprehensive bibliography by the late Mr. Peet.

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I hear that Mr. William Sanderson's book, "That Which Was Lost," sub-titled "a treatise on Freemasonry and the English Mystery," which Constable issues next week, is very curious, for it traces the "harmful effects of Christian morality on physique and character."

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Sir Ernest Benn, who is a publicist as well as a publisher, has returned to a pressing subject in his essay, "Account Rendered," which, I am told, is a "damning" analysis of the national balance-sheet. In this case he is his own publisher.

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Mr. Kenneth Grahame's work lends itself to illustration. The illustrated edition of his delicious "Golden Age," which the Bodley Head found so successful two years ago, is to be followed from the same house by one of "Dream Days," with drawings by Mr. Ernest H. Shepard.

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Volumes of short stories seem to be more popular with the publishers than they were. Thus the Bodley Head has made an omnibus book of Saki's witty short stories, and will issue next week five short stories, "Fortune of War," by Mr. Duncan Grinell-Milne, author of "The Escaper's Log." Appleton has just published six "unusual" short stories by Mrs. Wharton under the title "Certain People."

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I wonder how Mr. Ashley Dukes has altered his charming play "The Man With the Load of Mischief." A revised version will shortly be produced in America, and will be included in a volume of six of Mr. Dukes's plays to be issued by Sir Ernest Benn.

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Mr. I. M. B. Stuart's Theory of Modern Rugby Football," to be published this month by Macmillan, should be first rate; for Mr. Stuart has distinguished himself as an International, and is the honorary coach of the first XV. of Harrow, where he is one of the masters.

J. M. B.

FLEET STREET.

"The Book of Fleet Street," Edited by T. Michael Pope. (Cassell. 10s. 6d.)

What is meant by Fleet Street? Is it a mere topographical term to describe the thoroughfare from the Strand to Ludgate Circus, or does it mean "the Street" and its environs as the area in which newspapers have their actual and spiritual homes? In general acceptance it surely has the wider meaning, for, as Mr. Gerald Barry so aptly observes, the "Daily Telegraph" is the only great national daily newspaper that has its home strictly in Fleet Street. Most of the newspaper offices which abut on to "the Street" are the London homes of papers that have their headquarters elsewhere.

This book will cause chuckles in the real Fleet Street, more vain hopes in Mr. Priestley's "Bruddersford," and a deep sigh of regret. The sigh will be of sorrow that the editor of the volume died on the eve of its publication, and the world of journalism is the poorer for the loss of an able colleague and a loyal friend. Indeed, his friendships were perhaps the cause of one of the weaknesses of the book. After reading it and enjoying it immensely, one is compelled to ask: "What do they know of Fleet Street who only its fringes know?" Few of the twenty-nine contributors are real craftsmen of Fleet Street. With one or two notable exceptions they are literary journalists to whom writing is everything. Some frankly confess they hate Fleet Street, and are unable to accept its discipline and its team work. Many drifted into it to do a bit of reviewing, and drifted out again as soon as they could to a cottage in the country to do what they felt to be "more serious" work.

The Daily Miracle.

These distinguished writers load the book with dazzling audacities and indiscretions about themselves and each other, but the whole compilation does not succeed in becoming the "Book of Fleet Street." Thus it will be that the young and ardent yearners for the Mecca of journalism who are still in the provinces will get another glamorous, but distorted, picture of Fleet Street. These "behind the scenes" peeps, full of gay adventure and pleasant autobiography, are the work of the stars of the literary firmament—men and women who sparkle as they write and write as they sparkle. But the "Book of Fleet Street" has still to be written. It will describe what a famous High Court judge said the other day was a constant wonder to him—how, amid all the hurry and bustle, such a wonderfully accurate review of the world's happenings was served up to the public daily with their breakfasts. The men and women who achieve these daily miracles are not people with well-known names.

In the meantime, as that book has not been written, the one that has can be warmly recommended. A book that includes Gerald Barry, Robert Lynd, J. B. Priestley, Hilaire Belloc, Edward Shanks, J. C. Squire, H. M. Tomlinson, Edith Shackleton, G. B. Stern, Sidney Dark, Caradoc Evans, Henry Williamson, and others, all in a frenzy of self-revelation about their early struggles, is sure of a wide popularity.

INDIA WITHOUT THE BRITISH.

CAN SHE GOVERN HERSELF?

ANARCHY OR INVASION.

By ALLAH NAWAZ KHAN,
Nawabzada of Dera Ismail Khan.

There are people in India who fail to see the bright side of British rule and to appreciate the constructive services which Great Britain has rendered to our country. The sufferings of India before the advent of the British are familiar to every student of history. But having lived in comfort and peace for over a century, we have forgotten the horrors and terrors of the past. Former conquerors thundered over the land, devastated the country and passed on. Britain, however, cannot be classed with such conquerors. The rule of foreign monarchs who established dynasties in India was marked by incessant internal strife, famines, and civil wars, so that peaceful communities were disorganised and cast into an abyss of suffering and misery. Freedom of religion and personal liberty, as they exist in India to-day, were unknown in those times.

As far as our knowledge goes, the general characteristic of Hindu, Pathan, and Mughal rule was jealous exclusiveness; the line between the ruler and the subject was sharply drawn, and the admission of the latter to the privileges of the former was extremely rare. From the Hindu point of view the Muslim rule of India, which lasted for centuries, was by no means a period of ease, comfort, or contentment. It was when the Mughals were replaced by the British that the Hindus were able to breathe freely and to make progress in the economic and educational spheres. Britain's services to our country are indeed obvious, and no doubt both countries have benefited by the connection. In regard to the services rendered, take, for example, the postal facilities, telegraphs, telephones, efficient means of communication, roads, schools, colleges, universities, the provision of modern medical and industrial education, the preservation of forests, the establishment of hospitals and medical research institutions, commercial advancement and religious freedom—all these have followed in the train of the British. Again, it is to British rule that we owe the courts of law which dispense justice, the army that protects our frontiers, the navy that guards our coasts, and the police who safeguard our daily lives.

HINDUS AND MUSLIMS.

Having said so much about British rule, we may ask ourselves whether, if the British leave India, we are prepared to look after ourselves without their aid. In other words can India govern herself? And here we may consider the question as to what progress has been made towards the democratic ideals which were the goal of the Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms. Three or four years back worse than any failure in the machinery of the Reforms was the growing tension between Hindus and Muslims, which caused the moderate men the greatest apprehension as one outbreak of racial violence followed another. Violence of this nature may take place at any time in India, and we have here not only a standing menace to life and property, but a rock on which all hopes of national unity for India may yet suffer shipwreck.

To-day the vast majority of the very limited electorate consists of ignorant and bewildered persons who cannot see beyond the view from their front doors. The elected councillors, it is true, include some able lawyers and debaters, but while many of them are strong in destructive criticism, they are extremely weak in constructive ability. They use the expressions of democracy, but do not possess its spirit. The real trouble is that the decisions of these legislators would be entirely inoperative if the executive to enforce them were not controlled by the British. The essentials to Dominion government are a united nation, complete ability to preserve unaided internal peace and order, as well as financial solvency and ample credit, the last being dependent on the first two. A Britonless India fails to satisfy the first two essentials, and therefore must fail also to satisfy the third.

REAL NEEDS OF INDIAN PEOPLE.

If, indeed, Britain loses India it will be by the application of wrong principles to its government and misapprehensions of the true nature and needs of the people. For India is so different from the West and so diverse in itself that there can never be any effective combination of true nationality. If the British power were to be withdrawn race would fight race and religion would fight religion, and before the struggle could be decided it would reduce the whole country to anarchy and involve in its terrible disorders over three hundred million people.

If Dominion status involves the elimination of the British, then God alone can save India from ruin. An independent India or an Indian India would be a totally different country from British India. The problem as to how long India would remain independent after the British legions were withdrawn is a matter of grave anxiety and doubt. Our country is surrounded by foreign Powers which for ages past have kept a covetous eye upon this favoured land. In case of invasion could a Britonless India defend herself unaided against a devastating invasion? In present circumstances and for another half century at least the answer must be in the negative. It is illusory to suppose that because we are living in democratic days there would be no such invasion as I apprehend if the British withdrew.

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

Mr. Lloyd George, when Prime Minister, aptly compared the Indian Empire to a great edifice which was held together by the steel frame of a few thousand British officers. Remove or weaken that steel frame and the whole edifice would collapse, bringing ruin to India's millions. The metaphor is peculiarly applicable to the Indian Army. Few people perhaps realise that India's defence to-day rests on a small but highly efficient force commanded mainly by British officers. Could a Britonless or independent India maintain the discipline and the efficiency of this force? It is quite incomprehensible to my mind that a virile Pathan from the North would be prepared to receive orders from his fellow countrymen from the Central Provinces, Madras, Bombay, or Bengal. Yet the Bengali and Madrasi, if they cannot lead troops, could pass the necessary examination for the higher military ranks. The spectacle of Madrasis commanding Pathans, or Bengalis commanding Sikhs, would be akin to that of Portuguese officers commanding the Gordon Highlanders or Levantine Greeks the Guards. This miracle would not last long because, "Eagles do not accept with enthusiasm the rule of parrots."

THE ONLY WAY.

If we could make up our minds to accept an Indo-British Dominion with a suitable and proper share allotted to Great Britain, then the whole of the constant friction over questions of Indianisation would disappear, and British and Indians alike could settle down to the task of fitting the country for the desired Dominion status. This, moreover, is the only system under which the relations of the Indian Princes and the rest of the country can be put on an enduring footing. India cannot do without Great Britain, and should march on the road of progress slowly and steadily under British guidance.

They that are too weak to carry a cross will carry nothing. — Principal Maurice Hutton.

I doubt if the average man and woman ever realise one-thousandth part of the brains and skill that goes to make their daily newspaper.—C. H. St. J. Hornby.

A TERRITORIAL YEAR.

STEP FORWARD.

NEW TRAINING PRINCIPLES

By
Lieut.-Col. H. DE WATTEVILLE, C.B.E.

The year 1930 may come to be regarded as the opening of a new era for the Territorial Army. This will be no bad thing, for ever since the Great War that Army has been making but little progress towards a modernisation of its equipment. Such advance as has been made can, indeed, be regarded as the triumph of good will and energy over material difficulties, not to mention positive discouragements. Yet in spite of all such efforts the existing Territorial Army could still be regarded as a muscle-moved force, organised primarily on an infantry basis of obsolescent pattern. The recent formation of machine-gun companies came not a whit too soon; far more was still needed.

Two causes have at length begun to work, and may effect great changes in the near future. In the first place, it was decreed that 1930 should be a "Territorial Year"; in other words, that there should be instituted a closer bond between the training of the Territorial and Regular soldiers In the second place, the foundation has been laid for the "mechanisation" of the Territorial Artillery, the latter process being equivalent to the ultimate disappearance of horse-draught from that arm.

TAKING ITS JOB SERIOUSLY.

The former of these measures, the more intimate association of Territorial with Regular training, has not only involved the employment of Regular personnel to act as instructors, advisers, and umpires to Territorial units during annual training, but it has also resulted in the loan of certain modern war material to the non-professional soldier. Where loan has proved impossible, demonstrations with the latest types of war equipment has, on many occasions, been given. The broad results have been thoroughly encouraging, for although prevailing methods of training were not much modified at any annual camp to meet these novel conditions, their effect was decidedly marked.

At bottom the Territorial soldier likes nothing so well as being taken very seriously, so he enjoyed this year's training all the more. Already the psychological value of the "Territorial Year" has been great. It is expected that the future may see further developments of the same nature. There is, however, a word of warning which must be sounded, namely, that in order to reap full benefit from all this Regular assistance, the Territorial may have to curb, in certain years at least, his traditional desire to do his annual training in localities where amusement is plentiful and cheap—that is, at popular seaside resorts.

MECHANISATION.

The problem of "mechanising" the Territorial Army presents very serious obstacles. Chief among these is that of expense. On this factor indeed, hangs the ultimate solution of the problem. Fortunately, there are two types of vehicles that serve warlike purposes. The first of these fulfils military ends alone; it cannot be employed for any other object. Such are tanks, Cardan Loyd tractors, and the like. The second class comprises vehicles employed in every-day life, while it includes that really great invention the six-wheeled van or lorry. The production of this last-named type is now so far assured as to allow the authorities to rely on its existence in sufficient numbers to mobilise an armed force of some size. It is upon the six-wheeler, therefore, that the Territorial Artillery is now being made dependent for its tractors to replace horse-draught on embodiment. It is consequently to be trained in their use.

The problem of the purely military vehicle is more difficult. Whatever is done, the supply of such machines to the Territorials could, at the best, only be exceedingly slow. With the lapse of time, a small percentage of these vehicles might be found and be circulated round the country for Territorial training purposes. But the mobilisation equipment of such types could only be found, on the emergency arising, by rapid methods of mass-production. For the present, therefore, the Territorial soldier must be patient and rest content with the occasional loan of the latest machines from the Regular Forces. He must also realise that the Regulars themselves do not yet possess any form of stabilised—let alone final—equipment. The Territorial, consequently, can scarcely hope to possess such machines until the needs of the Regular have been satisfied. Even then the question may not be easy of solution.

LOAN OF ARMOURED CARS.

This year the experiment of loaning some modern Rolls-Royce armoured cars to the Territorial companies, still equipped with the odious Peerless cars that were out of date before 1918, proved highly successful. There is, unfortunately, a limit to what could be done in this direction when a large number of units train over a limited period of time. Nevertheless, the future may show that a solution to the problem exists. Anyhow, the mechanisation alone of the Territorial Artillery marks a great advance. Those who remember the mobilisation of the Territorials in 1914, or who have witnessed the struggles of certain Territorial batteries at annual camp, cannot fail to appreciate the benefit to training that must accrue from the elimination of that tedious process of building up teams out of hired or impressed horses.

MODERNISING TRAINING.

It is now clear that, at any rate for some years, the Territorial Army must work on the following principles:—

(a) Special fighting vehicles will not be available except when loaned by the Regular forces during annual training;

(b) For transport, haulage, and all possible purposes those vehicles to be found in civil life must form the basis of any Territorial Army embodiment. It may even be found possible to adapt a very few of these to fighting purposes;

(c) Territorial Artillery will be provided with a minimum of six-wheelers for training purposes, while their full complement of these vehicles will have to be provided from outside sources that remain to be definitely fixed;

(d) A rigidly enforced system of "pooling" all vehicles owned by, or loaned to, the Territorial Army will have to be followed, so long as the national finances do not permit of an issue of machines on a most complete scale, or where they cannot be hired or impressed from civil sources for purposes of annual training.

The above plan, it may be objected, can be regarded only as a makeshift. It is in effect far more: it allows for a complete modernisation of training and a further expansion of the mechanical engines of war of the Territorial Army. Any final solution of the problem could only be reached when the task of the Territorial Army in National Defence has been more definitely established; also what the country is desirous of paying—or can afford to pay—in order to meet its possible military commitments. The soldier can but point to the Covenant of the League of Nations, and still more to the Locarno treaties; he can estimate what military assistance our air forces might require if ever we were so unfortunate as to be attacked by air.

That the above contingencies must throw some strain on the Territorial Army is abundantly clear. But it is still clearer that once an army begins to tread the path of mechanisation, it is imperative that it should know what is to be demanded of it. The more a force is mechanised the more should its mechanical equipment correspond to the specific conditions it may be called upon to encounter, for mechanisation is akin to specialisation.

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THE WEEK AT WESTMINSTER.

ECONOMY.

THREE OPPORTUNITIES.

AND MORE SPENDING.

By "A STUDENT OF POLITICS."

The House has had three opportunities of showing some regard for economy this week and it has made each the occasion of fresh spending. The first was on the Financial Resolution of the Education Bill, which authorises the payment to parents of sums, soon to amount to five millions a year, as compensation to them for having their children educated free. We have now got past the stage of giving something for nothing; we actually pay people in addition for taking it. Sir John Simon's observations on this new development could not have been bettered, but even he could not bring himself to vote against it. Except in some observations made by Lord Eustace Percy when the Bill was introduced and Mr. Macquisten (who overstates his case), it was generally assumed throughout the debate that this extra year at school was sure to be worth the money it cost; whereas, in fact, this is just the point on which the realists in education ought to feel most uneasy. But at Westminster we live under the bondage to words. Call something that costs money education, and the word stands for the reality, and to express any doubts about it is a sort of profanity.

Even if we accept this extra year at its face value, it was still the duty of those who dislike the maintenance grants to vote against the resolution. The resolution had to be accepted or rejected as it stood, for no amendment was possible. Distracted between a sense of duty and of tactics, the Liberals abstained, and the resolution was passed. The equivalent of another penny on the income-tax was added to expenditure.

THE CHAMPION SPENDER.

The second chance of consulting national economy came in the Government land legislation Bill, introduced by Dr. Addison on Thursday. This Bill owes much to the Liberals, and there is more vigour and thoroughness in its ideas than in most of the legislation introduced by this Government. The dubious points are whether the settlement schemes are economically sound and what are the liabilities for which we are letting ourselves in. On both these points Dr. Addison was all but silent, and made no attempt to live down his old reputation as the champion spender even of the spacious days of the Coalition. When Mr. Guinness told him that his housing schemes were still costing the country seven millions a year, Dr. Addison produced deafening and prolonged applause from his supporters by the retort that even that was only the cost of one battleship. It would have been more accurate if he had said that the cost was the cost of one battleship every year. In this airy, irresponsible fashion does the House vote away indeterminate millions—that is to say, put indeterminate pennies on the income-tax.

PRE-WAR PENSIONS.

In the third example of financial recklessness all the parties were guilty. Whether the Conservatives would, in fact, have voted for the motion of Mr. Hore-Belisha to bring pre-war pensions up to the post-war level is uncertain, but none of them except Sir John Davidson made any effective protest against the motion. The idea that if there is unfairness as between pre-war and post-war pensioners it might have been removed by levelling down the post-war pensions as well as levelling up the pre-war pensions does not seem to have occurred to anyone. The truth is that not since the Geddes axe has this House of Commons showed the least disposition to economise public expenditure.

SMALL-HOLDINGS AND FARMS.

There has been some good speaking during the week. Sir John Simon spoke with admirable vigour on the maintenance grants, though the speech as a whole gave one the impression of having been cut down from a much more trenchant attack, and his final conclusion was an anti-climax. There was some good debate, too, on the relative economic merits of small-holdings and large farms. The Liberal belief in small-holdings is not cast to reconcile with their belief in rationalisation and big amalgamations in other industries than the land, and private members, who have every Wednesday for the discussion of their motions, might do much worse than put down one on rationalisation. If there is so much to be said for the family farm, is it quite so certain that large amalgamations, with their resultant economies, are the inevitable development in other industries? On these academic questions, with no party whips on, debate is heard at its best in the Commons.

HOW NOT TO GOVERN.

There was an amusing passage at the end of the pensions debate which shows how completely this Government has ceased to govern. Mr. Pethick Lawrence opposed the motion for equalisation, as spokesmen of other governments have done before, but when there seemed a danger of defeat he refused to divide the House against the motion, and the motion was in fact carried. But no one can increase expenditure except the Government itself, and when he was asked whether the passing of the motion committed the Government to propose to bring forward an estimate for equalising the cost later, he blandly replied that he could give no such undertaking. Thus you have the extraordinary paradox of a Government accepting a motion to avoid defeat without having the slightest intention of carrying it into effect. One forms a mental picture of Mr. Pethick Lawrence, buffeted between civil servants and members, agreeing with each in turn and nothing done.

THE SHADOW OF MOSCOW.

The Russian debate, opened by Lord Brentford, yielded nothing of substance except to show the Government as the creature of circumstance, passive to events, never active. Russia also cast its shadow across the debate on agriculture, both in the Commons and the Lords. Lord Ernle has come to the conclusion shared by many others that the Soviet Government has now beaten the resistance of the farmers. The great experiment of organising agriculture into great State farms with the cultivators once more in semi-serfdom has made great progress, and the dumping of Russian wheat at impossibly low prices is likely to increase.

How the Government's policy of accepting this wheat can be reconciled with enthusiasm for British agriculture is not explained. Mr. Guinness even professes to fear that a similar fate may be awaiting the British farmer as the outcome of the new agricultural plans of the Government. Miss Ellen Wilkinson said a fortnight ago that under State ownership she would not object to modification of all the trade union rules that obstructed business. But nationalisation, whether of agricultural land or of industry, will not ask for leave. For good or evil, trade unionism as we know it is bound up with the individualist and capitalist system; it must go under if it struggles with the will of the State; and the more Socialistic the State, the more tyrannical as employer will it become in the long run.

"BANBURY CROSS."

To the Editor of the SUNDAY TIMES.

Sir,—I believe the correct quotation of the nursery rhyme should be:—

Ride a cock horse to Banbury Cross
To see a Fiennes lady upon a white horse,

etc., etc., this referring to the ladies from Broughton Castle of the Lord Saye and Sele family. FIENNES W. E. BLAKE,
Half Moon Street, W. Lieut.-Col.

[Letters also received from E. W. Cowley (Coventry) and Gerard Heller (Manchester.]

OUR PARIS LETTER

IN THE CHAMBER.

DEBATE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

In the early hours of Friday morning the Chamber, by 323 votes to 270, gave its confidence to the Government at the close of the debate on foreign affairs. The vote had been preceded by important speeches by M. Briand and M. Tardieu, and the almost general applause with which both Ministers were greeted held out expectations of something like a unanimous vote. But when it came to the "Ayes" and "Noes" party politics triumphed, and hence arose the paradoxical situation of the Left, who warmly approve the policy of M. Briand, voting against him because M. Tardieu is Prime Minister, and the Moderates, who are lukewarm towards the Foreign Minister, giving him their support because he is in M. Tardieu's Cabinet.

The debate, however, showed clearly what a gulf there often is between Press attacks on a Minister—M. Briand did not mince matters on this head—and a definite vote against him in Parliament when he puts the Chamber to the test of condemning or supporting his policy. M. Tardieu and M. Briand, like Gilbert and Sullivan's Gondoliers, declared that they stood united as one individual in matters of foreign policy, and it was a policy, they explained, which was based upon a striving to establish peace in Europe combined with vigilance and the assurance of France's security. Faced by M. Briand's question, "And if you vote against this policy, what would you put in its place?" all but the Foreign Minister's bitterest opponents realised that there was no alternative. Thus, with a confirmation of the policy hitherto followed by M. Briand, into which, however, will certainly enter a greater watchfulness towards Germany, ended this long-expected debate on foreign affairs.

ARMISTICE DAY.

Was it merely the glorious sunshine or was it perhaps something psychological that on Tuesday brought out much larger crowds than usual to witness the parade of troops at the Arc de Triomphe, which every year constitutes the official celebration of Armistice Day? Some of the newspapers are inclined to ascribe this greater interest to the atmosphere of uncertainty which hangs over Europe and which in France has perhaps revived more keenly the memories of November, 1918. Anyhow, whatever the cause, there is no doubt that the commemoration this year gave a distinct impression of being considerably more intense.

Armistice Day, which is here a public holiday nowadays, brings to Paris one more beauty to add to those which she normally possesses. It is not merely the review of troops which fills the Champs Elysées with a moving mass of colour of uniforms and flags which this year took on especial brilliance in the clear autumn sunshine. It is above all the spectacle presented by the Place de la Concorde at night. Flood lighting reveals architectural beauties often only dimly discerned in daytime, and under the rays of the great lamps the façades of the buildings that face the square, the fountains and the obelisk that stands up in its midst like a column of pure light form a whole incomparably more beautiful than could ever have been imagined till it was tried. It is a couple of years since the first experiment with flood-lighting was made, and this illumination of the Place de la Concorde—and on Armistice Day of the Arc de Triomphe—is so strikingly successful that it has now become a regular feature of any public celebrations in Paris.

PICTURE EXHIBITIONS.

November has brought with it the annual winter crop of picture exhibitions of all sizes, ranging from the hundreds of canvases in the Salon d'Automne to the one-man show housed in a single room of the art dealer. Among the individual exhibitions are incidentally two by English artists—Mr. David Liddell, who is again showing at the Galerie Barreiro in the rue de Seine, and M. Luard, who has an exhibition of paintings and etchings at the American Women's Club. Pictures are, as usual, only a part of the Salon d'Automne, the rest—and this is, perhaps, the most interesting section—consisting of interior decoration and applied arts of every kind, which the French expressively call "*Le décor de la Vie.*" Two kinds of things in this section are particularly admirable. Every year French artists produce more and more beautiful examples of forged ironwork for gates and similar architectural uses, while the bookbinders, perpetuating a tradition which has existed unbroken since the Renaissance, show that they are still producing examples of their art which are a temptation to any lover of books. But in the matter of furniture the designers seem to have overlooked the fact that since last year women's fashions have changed. Tables and chairs in wood or in metal have become more and more objects of sheer utility without any attempt at decoration. Thus in order to make them more comfortable we have not only hideous and creaking spiral springs attached to metal chairs but to bedsteads as well. It is, in fact, the perpetuation of what has been called "the bathroom style," with its square corners, nickel tubing, and plain, shining surfaces.

All this may have been in keeping with the simple and useful in women's dress, with the Eton crop and the short, straight frock. But how does it combine with the more decorative fashions of to-day, when curls are allowed to appear on the neck, dresses are longer and much more complicated, and curves are no longer banished from the figure? The pictures in the Salon D'Automne made once again the impression they have so often made before. It is extraordinary how many artists there are whose principal aim seems to be to render the human body as repellent as possible. Obviously, there are in the world few Venuses or Adonises, or, for the matter of that, not many men and women who approach even sufficiently near to physical perfection to be able to stand triumphantly the test of nudity. A modern bathing beach is clear enough proof of this. But the artists of the Salon d'Automne do not seem to be content with mere natural lack of grace. Most of their nudes appear to be intentionally and revoltingly ugly.

THE CHASE.

A motor drive through Chantilly forest the other day brought me by chance across a hunt by the Marquis de Noailles's pack of staghounds. It was the opening meet of the season, and consequently it had attracted a large field not only of horsemen, but of sightseers as well. For everywhere where there is a pack of hounds in France—and with her vast forests harbouring deer and wild boar in quantities there are many of them—the first hunt is preceded by one of the most picturesque survivals of past centuries. The chase still remains under the patronage of Saint Hubert, and the season is consequently ushered in by a mass in the local church. Hunting horns mingle with the singing, the church is filled with members of the hunt in their blue or red coats, antlers and greenery decorate the walls and in the chancel stand a couple of beribboned hounds held in leash by one of the whips. The mass over, the priest emerges from the church, and before the hunt moves off to draw the neighbouring forest blesses the pack drawn up before him.

This ceremony is typical of the atmosphere of *ancien régime* which still in Republican France surrounds everything to do with hunting. Packs still remain the private property of wealthy *grands seigneurs*, the women members of the hunt still wear the three-cornered hat, and, like the men, the coat of their particular hunt, and after the stag is killed there comes the ceremony of the *curée*, when to the music of the horns—the great circular ones which, on horseback, are carried by all the gentlemen of the hunt over the left shoulder and round the body—the remains are given to the hounds.

IRISH FREE STATE

SOVEREIGN INDEPENDENCE.

WHY IT IS STRESSED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DUBLIN, Saturday.

Even though this year's Imperial Conference may produce nothing tangible, it is likely to be followed by certain reactions in this country which deserve to be examined. Rightly or wrongly, the Irish Free State is supposed to represent the extreme left in Imperial politics. While Mr. Scullin suggests that nothing is to be gained by striving to dot the i and cross the t of sovereign independence, it is the desire of our statesmen to perfect in every detail our status of co-equality. Many of these—such as the style and title of our Sovereign—are apparently of no practical importance. It is, therefore, of interest to consider why they are so stressed, for a proper diagnosis will throw light on the future of Commonwealth relations.

There are three probable explanations. First, we are logically and legally minded, and wish to make the Balfour declaration literally exact in every detail. We believe more in the stamped legal contract than in the gentleman's agreement. There is a saying that the more business in the family and the less family in the business the better. We may be acting on this belief.

REACTION ON HOME POLITICS.

The second and more possible explanation is the reaction of our attitude on home politics. During all its existence the Government has acted in the belief that national sentiment must be nursed and placated. This explains our leanings more to Geneva than London; our acceptance of the Optional Clause without reservation, possibly even our attitude with regard to the Privy Council. So long as it produces stability at home, no Irish Imperialist will refuse to pay the price. It is far better than the reckless proposals of either Labour or Fianna Fail. But the real question to determine is—does this equivocation pay? Our leaders are born of the people, astute politicians, and ought to know how their countrymen feel. Yet, just as there are parents who do not understand their own children, they may be mistaken.

In any event, there is a general and well-grounded belief that this attitude of apology and indirectness does not draw at all from the ranks of opposition. The effect is rather the other way—namely, to weaken and make apathetic—and even completely estrange—the support of a majority whose mere financial support is a vital necessity. Admittedly in all this there is a strong element of conjecture, and time can alone tell which view is right. But it must be remembered that Nationalists are not all Anglophobes or separatists, and a census of those residing in England might be illuminating. I met one recently—and he was not an isolated case—a professional man, and a strong supporter of the present Government, practising in England in order to educate his young family for English professions, and, as he admitted, avoid compulsory Irish.

"CUTTING THE PAINTER."

There is yet a third and more delicate explanation, which has a certain bearing on the foregoing. It is that the Treaty is being used as a stepping stone to a Republic, and that all association is being subtly used to this end. This is the professed policy of Fianna Fail, though so far as public utterances are a guide, this Party as a Government will refuse to attend any Imperial Conference—an honest attitude, and preferable to that of fishing in troubled waters. In so far as the attitude of the present Government is determined by personalities, there is good reason to believe that it represents mutual accommodation. Certain individuals genuinely hold to Empire association in the same spirit as Canada and Australia; others are strong Nationalists and unsympathetic, and the team can only be kept together by compromise.

The real matter of importance, however, and one which will become more pronounced with the years, is what the country—as distinct from politicians—really wants. If Mr. de Valera is returned to power, it would be altogether wrong to assume that he has a mandate to cut the painter and establish a Republic. And yet there is the danger that he may precipitate the issue in this form. Mass opinion at the moment is inchoate and ill-informed, and a general election with its many issues offers no assurance of a correct verdict. If future Governments either claim separation or refuse to co-operate, or co-operate with malice propense, the best way to clear the air would be to let the people, by means of a plebiscite, say what they want. Ample notice should be given, the advantages and disadvantages should be clearly set out—especially the effect on present and future employees in the British services—and once for all the people should be asked to decide. Some such method is implicit in the right of secession. It might not be welcome to professional politicians, but it should clear the air and put an end to much bickering and uncertainty.

FARMERS AND PROTECTION.

A body styled the Farmers' Protection Association met last week in Congress and demanded an embargo on the entrance of all goods that can be "economically" produced in the country. It was not divulged how the economics of production was to be tested, except that the Tariff Commission—an expert body—was too slow and unsuitable for such a purpose. Mr. Hogan has already declared that he will be party to no such panic legislation, but it is whispered that there are elements within the Cabinet who view present developments with concern, and wish to make some concession to capture the farmers' votes. How far this new association is representative of the rural vote is not clear. There once was a properly federated Farmers' Union, but it appears only to survive in a small but vital remnant of Government supporters. The present body appears to be of an *ad hoc* character, and to judge by the speakers, the Fianna Fail element predominates. However unsound and shortsighted, it has a programme suited to the present depression, and one which no doubt will loom large at the next election.

TOO LATE.

As with so much of British policy in Ireland, the words "too late" characterise the attempt of the Home Office to intercept in the post subscriptions to the Hospitals' sweepstake. Yesterday and to-day the offices of the organisation have been busy with English visitors bringing in person subscriptions from their clubs and friends. A modest estimate of £100,000 will actually exceed £600,000. Hospitals will receive £120,000 and prizewinners over £300,000. The best way to keep the money at home is for other countries to follow our example. The gambling spirit is too strong, and its devotees too ingenious to be frustrated by direct action.

Business is a great spiritual occupation to those who properly appreciate the principles that underlie it.—Sir Francis Goodenough.

Africa is going to be a Godsend to this country, and more especially to Lancashire. —Brig.-General Sir Henry Page-Croft, M.P.,

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A WANDERER'S NOTEBOOK.

THE V. & A. REVISITED

By E. V. LUCAS.

There are certain rites and ceremonies which all newcomers to London have to respect; and I remember that among those prescribed for me, either by myself or by some seasoned Metropolitan, was a visit to Birchs', in Cornhill, to taste their turtle soup. How long ago was that? It was in 1892. The shop was so full of City men standing up and eating sandwiches and sipping sherry that one had to struggle to reach the stairs leading to the upper room, and when there a long wait by the desk was necessary, for every seat was taken. But at last came the calipash and calipee and the glass of Madeira to make my centrality complete and for ever remove the stigma of provincial and suburbanite. How the memory of this initiation flew back as the other day I entered Room 48 of the Victoria and Albert Museum, in South Kensington, and was confronted by the very façade, black and comely, behind which I had enjoyed those delicacies! There it is, with Birch, Birch and Co. over the three arched windows, and labels promising "soups" and "jellies," and a richly decorated dinner service as a promise of favours to come. A very human exhibit.

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Having found one novelty since my last general exploration of this wonderful South Kensington treasure-house, I proceeded to find others, and was again moved to admiration and amazement by its variety, its order, and its taste. Birchs' had first caught my eye in the great hall, but the most noticeable thing in it is the State barge built for Frederick Prince of Wales in 1732, which the King has lent: a long and narrow scarlet vessel in which His Royal Highness might be conveyed, by twenty-one rowers, up and down the Thames. To-day the House of Windsor pays the Thames little attention, nor can the author of "The Water Gipsies" induce ordinary Londoners to become "water-busfolk"; but once how crowded and animated must have been its tide! while of its sharpening influence on the Londoner's wit let Boswell's record be a proof. Before that water-bus project is finally abandoned, ought we not to reflect upon Dr. Johnson's famous exchange of badinage with the bargee?

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While the King is lending this splendid piece of pageantry to one half of Room 48, the Queen is enriching the other. Among her contributions to the dolls' house section is a toy butcher's shop, presented last year, with such a profusion of carcases and prime cuts as we see only just before Christmas. The butcher stands in the midst, a John Bullish figure, with apron, knife and sharpener, and his two assistants are near him, all embowered in joints, while above the business premises are the curtained windows of an elegant private residence, with flower-pots on the ledge: the domain of Mrs. Bones, Master Bones and Miss Bones.

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Another of the Queen's gifts is a model winding staircase in mahogany, while the very latest reconstructed addition to this room is the more than full-sized lower landing of a staircase brought in its entirety from The Hall, Glastonbury, with its wide and easy treads, in inlaid woods, capable of taking two couples at a time, and its black balusters alternating plain and spiral. It is these careful preservations of the past that help to make the Victoria and Albert Museum so interesting and valuable. But what object-lessons in frustration they offer! This welcoming staircase, on which the foot steps so gaily, leads only to a blank wall. Birchs' door, should you be able to open it unobserved by the watchful custodian, gets you neither to soup nor jelly. The bow-window from Petty France near it, with Rowlandson prints and papier maché on view, cannot deliver up its wares. That is the sad destiny of museums all the world over; they stimulate but never satisfy. Nothing can be yours. The rapture of possession, the solicitude of the connoisseur as he fondles curves and patina, are equally denied.

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Those who have opened their copies of "Elia" will recall Lamb's friend E. B. in the essay on Valentine's Day. "E. B.," wrote Lamb, "is an artist of no common powers; in the fancy parts of designing perhaps inferior to none." The work of E. B., whose full name was Edward Francis Burney, is, however, not too easily found, and it was with particular interest, therefore, that I studied the water-colour drawing by him in the room dedicated to Recent Acquisitions: a satirical scene entitled "An Elegant Establishment for Young Ladies"; or, in other words, a beauty school of the eighteenth century, where the correction of physical defects goes so far that one of the clients is being suspended in mid-air by a chin which, I assume, had a tendency to duplication.

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What an absolutely first-class place our V. and A. is, and how proud we should be of it! Before leaving I paused at the catalogue desk, and there saw for the first time the series of forty and more "Picture Books" which may now be bought. Bang goes sixpence each time, but they are worth twice the money. The expenditure of four shillings put me in possession of eight of these instructive and beguiling works, which I am delighted to be able to commend to those who may not know of them The library with which I came away consists of "A Picture Book of English Porcelain Figures," "A Picture Book of the Work of John Constable," "A Picture Book of Dolls and Dolls' Houses," "A Picture Book of Portrait Busts," "A Picture Book of English Miniatures," ranging from Anne of Cleves by Hans Holbein to Mrs. Bacon by Sir William Charles Ross; "A Picture Book of Peasant Pottery," "A Picture Book of the Work of Peter de Wint," and "A Picture Book of Children in Sculpture": this the most charming of all, beginning with a little John the Baptist by a nameless modeller of the fifteenth century in Florence, known as "The Master of the Unruly Children" (for during that part of the world's history there seems to have been a period when to master them was possible), and ending with Alfred Stevens's bust of the small son of Mr. W. L. Colmann.

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Had I been possessed of more than four shillings I could have extended my education in many other directions. I could have acquired Little Books on English chairs, English embroideries, English lace, Sheffield plate, Book-bindings, Raphael's cartoons, English mirrors, English chimney-pieces, Turkish pottery, mediæval enamels, the Pre-Raphaelites, Japanese sword-guards, and many other things. A sumptuous world, this of ours, and the V. and A. is a magnificent testimony to its richness and beauty.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Longevity.

Sir,—As a small child I can remember my great-grandmother, Mrs. Da Ponte, born 1778, an actress who had been engaged at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane—1807-9—with Mr. Siddons, whose mother, the great tragedienne, was born 1755.

Mrs. Da Ponte's brother-in-law, Lorenzo da Ponte, born 1749, the Italian poet, author of Mozart's "Don Giovanni," had, at Vienna in 1782, met the aged Cæsarian poet Metastasio, born 1698. Thus with two lives intervening I can bridge 232 years.

Mitcham. FOLKESTONE WILLIAMS.

Fireworks in Town.

Sir,—It is to be hoped those concerned will take to heart your leader "A Surfeit of Ragging." It is surely high time something should be done to put an end to the annual fireworks nuisance. A few years ago Guy Fawkes celebrations took place on November 5, but now we have to endure a nightly racket which the police are apparently powerless to prevent. No consideration is shown for those who may be lying seriously ill and who suffer much from these loud explosions so close to their homes.

Amersham. U. A. S.

"Lewis Carroll's" Grave.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Austin Stone, "Lewis Carroll" was buried in the beautiful hillside cemetery overlooking Guildford, where he died at the home of his sisters, The Chestnuts, near the old Castle. The grave is marked by a white marble cross, and bears the inscription:—

Revd. Charles Lutwidge Dodgson ("Lewis Carroll"), fell asleep, Jan. 14, 1898, aged 65 years.

Guildford. W. H. OAKLEY.

[Replies have also been received from Algernon Ashton (Carlton Vale, N.W.), Constance Marcotty (Writers' Club, W.C.), and Charles White (Cranbrook Road, W.).]

Voltaire.

Sir,—Mr. Desmond MacCarthy's article in your last issue was interesting; but I was surprised to find therein no mention of an important study of Voltaire published in England as long ago as 1866. I possess an octavo volume, of 620 pages, the title-page of which is as follows:—

"Life and Times of François-Marie Arouet, calling himself Voltaire," by Francis Espinasse. In three volumes. Vol. I.: From Birth to Arrival in England, 1694-1726. (Chapman and Hall, 1866.)

It is a very readable and thorough piece of work, particular care having been given to adjusting the dates of Voltaire's copious output of letters.

Sidcup. JAS. H. T. GRIGG.

City of London Arms.

Sir,—St. Paul being patron both of the cathedral and city of London, his sword appears in their respective arms, which are:—See: Gules two swords gold of St. Paul crossed saltirewise with their points upwards. City: Silver a cross gules with a sword gules of St. Paul erect in the quarter. The Mediæval heralds gave St. Paul the same arms as the See, but the swords were silver.

St. Paul's sword in the City arms has been erroneously identified with Sir William Walworth's dagger.

Rochester. A. W. B. MESSENGER.

[Letters also received from W. R. Power (Stamford Hill, N.) and Garforth Drury (Newcastle).]

The "Woolsack."

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Leslie Stone: the "Woolsack" is the name more particularly given to the seat occupied by the Lord Chancellor in the House of Lords. It is a square cushion, stuffed with wool, without back or arms, and covered with red cloth. It is stated to have been placed in the house in the reign of Edward III. (1327-1377) to remind the Peers of the importance of the wool trade of England.

Oxford. DAVID T. WYLIE, M.D.

Sir,—The "Woolsack," which is a plain cushioned ottoman, stuffed with hair, and covered with red cloth, is traditionally held to have been placed in the House in the reign of Edward III. when wool was the staple industry of the country. The original "Woolsack" was stuffed with wool. Technically, the "Woolsack" is outside the House, and the Lord Chancellor, when speaking, must take several paces to his left before he is regarded as being in the House.

H. HEYDEMAN, M.C., F.R.G.S.
South Hampstead, N.W.

Armistice Day in Germany.

Sir,—I think your Berlin correspondent errs in stating that war memorials have been erected in almost every town "and village" throughout the country.

In my visits to Germany the apparent absence of such memorials has always struck me. In 1927 I walked the Rhine by way of the hills to short of Sinzig; here I turned off up the valley of the Ahr to Altenahr, and struck thence across country to Aix-la-Chapelle. On that walk the only memorial I saw was a mural tablet to one soldier in the church at Ruhrberg. It bore the inscription "Auf Wiedersehen"—somewhat inappropriate, I thought, in view of the everyday use of that phrase.

In 1928 and 1929 I was up the Rhine on the other side, and through the Westerwald. On this walk the only memorial I saw was at Braubach. Here the names of those who had fallen had been added to the monument erected to those who died in 1870. It is possible, of course, that my observation has been at fault. Of towns I cannot speak. I shun them.

J. MAYNARD SAUNDERS.
Montrell Road, S.W.

Trade with Argentina.

Sir,—Sir John Power in his article in your last issue on the "Quota" refers to the Argentine position, but, like many others who draw deductions from our trade with that country, overlooks the very important fact that investors living in this country have invested capital, estimated as approximately six hundred million pounds, in the Argentine, and, of course, expect to and are drawing dividends in return. It is reasonable to assume that the difference between £70,000,000 goods received against £31,000,000 goods we send them (I quote Sir John's figures) represents the dividends and interest they are sending to us. Would he suggest that our investors should have it made difficult to receive the payments due to them?

Preston. W. L. H.

Rosamond's Pond.

Sir,—In reply to the query of Agnes Fair, Rosamond's Pond was situated on the south side of St. James's Park.

Originally there existed in this locality a swampy field known as "Rosamond's Land," although it is not known how it acquired the name of the fair mistress of Henry II. In 1531 the swamp was acquired by Henry VIII. from Abbot Islip of Westminster. The King had converted the former St. James's Hospital into St James's Palace, and he now drained the swamp to form part of the Royal park attached to the palace. It was probably at this time that the pond was formed.

In later days as a picturesque and sylvan spot it was painted by Hogarth. It was referred to in several Restoration comedies as a place of amorous assignation. Pope mentions it in the "Rape of the Lock" as "Rosamonda's Lake."

It was filled up in 1770, and the Wellington Barracks now stand on the site.

Cardiff. MAURICE SPURWAY.

[Replies have also been received from Fredk. Willis (Waverley Grove, N.W.), W. Hodgson Burnet (Salisbury Tower, Windsor Castle), C. F. Aykes (Harlesden), A Lover of Quotations (W.), Charles White (Cranbrook Road, W.), Alan Swinton (Eccleston Square, S.W.), A. J. Thorogood (Woodlands, N.W.), Winifred E. Bensted (Cheltenham), Major H. Heydeman (Adelaide Road, N.W.), and D. McManus (Brook Green).]

"In England's Thought After I Die."

From MR. COULSON KERNAHAN.

Sir,—M. W. Turner, who asks, "Who wrote 'If I should be in England's thought after I die?'" quotes evidently from memory, and will, I am sure, forgive me when I say that there are six errors in the poem, as quoted in your columns. Here it is, as penned by that erratic man of genius, but true poet and true patriot, T. W. H. Crosland. I copy it from the volume of "Collected Poems" (Martin Secker, 1917), which he sent to my wife with a personal inscription to herself:—

If I should ever be in England's thought
After I die,
Say "There were many things he might have bought
And did not buy.
"Unhonoured by his fellows he grew old
And trod the path to hell,
But there were many things he might have sold
And did not sell."

As you, Sir, have so generously done all in your power to assist the appeal for a national memorial to that great poet—I so wrote of him in the "Fortnightly Review" some three years ago—Sir William Watson, may I add that both Crosland and Stephen Phillips again and again expressed to me the opinion that, as a poet, Watson had no living equal. Here are Crosland's own words:—

There is no prouder writing in the English language. It is poets' poetry with the spirit of Milton and Wordsworth and Arnold in it, and it will tower and shine when a great deal that is more popular has subsided into comparative obscurity.

Crosland and Stephen Phillips died (my wife and I were with Stephen at the last) broken-hearted and in poverty, their work neglected by the public of that day. Poetry lovers have it in their power to pay tribute of rightful honour to William Watson by placing him in circumstances that will prevent any such reproach being urged against the public of to-day.

COULSON KERNAHAN.
Frognal, Fairlight, Hastings.

Sir,—The lines—

If I should be in England's thought
After I die,

etc., were written by that strange near-genius T. W. H. Crosland best known to-day as the author of "The Unspeakable Scot." Crosland, like Samuel Butler, whom he in some ways resembled, made many enemies as a result of his cross-grained nature, but this should not blind one to the fact that he wrote some poems of real beauty and value.

Blackheath. F. ENGALL.

[Replies have also been received from C. O. (Blackfriars, S.E.), F. Asquith (Polsham), Walter R. Cunliffe (The Grove, S.W.), E. L. Allhusen (Edinburgh), Major the Hon. Henry Lygon (St. James' Street, S.W.), H. Dandridge Brown (Bishopsteighton), G. N. Battersby (Woodford Green), M. R. Trappes-Lomar (Great Harwood), Edith Cleverly (London, S.W.), and J. Lane (Jenner Road, N.).]

Cynara.

Sir,—Your correspondent who inquires as to the identity of Cynara will find, on referring to Horace's Ode to Venus (bk. iv. 1), that she was one of the poet's lady friends. It is there that, in lamenting the fact that he is not the man that he was when under kind Cynara's sway,—

Non sum qualis eram bonae
Sub regno Cinarae—

he beseeches the Mother of Loves to deal gently with one who is approaching his fiftieth year, and pleads that she should turn her attention to others less intractable to her soft commands.

Notwithstanding that, from the use of the word "bonae," a disinterested friendship might be inferred, the lady would appear to have become a little exigeante in the matter of largesse. In the epistle addressed to his bailiff (bk. i. 14) Horace reminds him, in order to point a moral, that there was a time when, without a present, he could please the *grasping* Cynara:—

Quem scis immunem Cinarae placuisse rapaci.

Tenterden. H. E. W. GRANT.

Sir,—Ernest Dowson got his idea of "Cynara" from the Cinara of Horace, celebrated in the fourth book of the Odes. See Carm., Lib. iv., i., 11, 3—4. But Propertius, of whom he was extremely fond, also inspired:—

Non ego nunc tristes vereor, mea Cynthia, manes.
Nec moror extremo debita fata rogo:
Sed ne forte tuo careat mihi funus amore,
Hic timor est ipsis durior exequiis.

which are the first lines of the nineteenth Elegy in Book I. ALFRED ROSE.

Devonshire Club, S.W.

[Replies have also been received from A Lover of Quotations (Hyde Park, W.), D S. C. (Inverness), W. R. Davidge (Beckenham), C. E. Snowden (Eastbourne), A. D. W. Fenning (Exeter), C. K. J. (Richmond), F. W. Platt (Highgate), J. Rowland Hopwood (Northwood), Immerito (Teddington), A. Maude (Forest Row) Inga M. Vicars (Croydon), Res Ker (Walthamstow), H. Mallins (Farnham), Frank Sangninetti (Cheyne Walk, S.W.), Henry Roberts (St. Leonards-on-Sea), James Strong (Trowbridge), and W. Barnard Faraday (Silverton).]

Access to the Chancel.

Sir,—Up till about 1874 the chancel arch of Arundel church was filled by an iron grille, for which the late Duke of Norfolk substituted a wall. It was desired by the Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Durnford, and many leading people of the diocese, on the advice of an eminent Church architect, to contest the Duke's right of possession to what was architecturally the chancel of the cruciform church, but called the Fitzalan Chapel.

My late husband had recently become vicar, and in order to raise the legal point he caused a few bricks to be removed from the wall, a technical trespass upon which the Duke could, and did, take action.

The case was tried, and was won by the Duke on the ground, I believe, that the chancel had been the property of the former monastery, into which the parishioners were admitted by favour. As the monastery had been given to the Duke's ancestor at the Reformation the possession of the chancel was of right his. This decision was confirmed on appeal.

MARGARET E. ARBUTHNOT.
Courtfield Gardens, S.W.

Sir,—The church at Arundel is not the only church shared by Anglicans and Roman Catholics. A somewhat similar case exists at Tichborne, Hants, where the north aisle is separated from the rest of the church by tall iron railings, and used as the mausoleum of the Tichborne family, who are Roman Catholics. Anglican services are held in the chancel and nave of this church, while the ordinary Roman Catholic ones are performed in the chapel attached to Tichborne House.

Seaton, Devon. C. H. WRIGHT.

[Replies have also been received from Beatrice Eustace (Arundel), Walter Crick (Eastbourne), and J. H. Cuddon (Arundel).]

"Braid Scots" Dialect.

Sir,—I quite fail to follow your correspondent's reasoning as to the especial connection between the Scotch vernacular and French.

I find on reference to the "Oxford Dictionary" that "couch" means "(of animals) lie, crouch, cower, lie in ambush," and that is the sense in which it is used in this corner of Lancashire. It is also used in connection with embroidery (Webster's dictionary, "to set").

I could give local instances of place-names which have an obviously French origin, but would not claim that this proves a connection between France and Lancashire, at least since the Norman Conquest.

Ashton-under-Lyne. A. KENYON.

Sir,—Need the Scottish expression "coutch," as a shepherd's order to his dog, necessarily be associated with the old Franco-Scottish alliance? Welsh sheep-farmers use the same word (generally spelt "cwtch") in the same sense to their dogs, yet, except for a few years under Glendower, Wales never had any alliance nor other association with France. And the English verb "couch," although not used as an order for dogs, has the same meaning.

Barnes. JENKIN T. H. JENKINS.

Roman Remains in Britain.

Sir,—Your correspondents have advanced political reasons for the lack of Roman remains. Climatic causes are equally important, as in this country the strong winds and the luxuriant vegetation soon cover with dust and leaves any low buildings. Trees and bushes grow rapidly, as has happened on the wall around Verulamium. In Southern Europe, where the vegetation is scanty and the soil shallow and stone everywhere handy, and where the inhabitants remained on the spot, it is not surprising the buildings were left. H. CRAWSHAY AROST.

Porchester Place, W.

Sir,—When we consider the devastation wrought by the vast onslaught of Pagan invaders directed against Britain from three sides—North, South, and East—during the greater part of the fifth and sixth centuries A.D., is it very surprising that Roman remains in this country are less imposing than in other countries nearer to the heart of the Empire, which enjoyed, moreover, a longer lease of life under Roman rule than did ours?

As my namesake, Mr. W. Barnard Faraday, pointed out in your last Sunday's issue, we can no more rely on the reports given by the Saxon chroniclers for truthful information regarding the long and bitter struggle for supremacy during these two centuries, than we can upon the accounts of the Britons as related by that arch-falsifier of facts, Cæsar. LAWRENCE FARADAY.

Hampstead Way, N.W.

Sir,—"H. P." is wrong in believing that the Roman occupation lasted for nearly 500 years. The Romans occupied our island at the most for 350 years, as there is no settlement recorded after Cæsar's invasions in 55 and 54 B.C., and indeed not until A.D 50 did the Roman Conquest of our island begin.

Now he wants to know why there are practically no Roman remains in England while they exist in Europe. Haverfield, probably the greatest authority, tells us in his "Roman Britain" that "No case is known where the Saxons dwelt in a Roman town or villa."

The Saxons, who immediately succeeded the Romans in the occupation of Britain, had a superstitious fear of stone walls and towns, and consequently these fell into decay; while the barbarian hordes on the Continent had no such fear, and freely inhabited and thus preserved the Roman towns and civilisation.

Derby. R. W. D. DEWING.

Legitimacy of Queen Elizabeth.

Sir,—With all respects, is not the Rev. Dean Inge rather playing at history when he suggests that Queen Elizabeth's portraits ought to favour King Henry VIII. to prove her Tudor birthright? May I quote the following contemporary writers on this delicate point?

Stow: On that day King Henry privily married the Lady Anne Boleine in his closet at Whitehall, being St. Paul's Day. (Jan. 25, 1533.)

Archbishop Cranmer: She was marryed much about Sainte Paul's Day laste, as the condicion thereof doth well appere, by reason she ys now somewhat bigge with chylde.

[Letter dated June, 1533, soon after Anne's Coronation. Cited by Bishop Burnet.]

Lord Herbert of Cherbury said that Cranmer was present at the marriage. (Memoirs.)

Eustace Chapuis, Spanish Ambassador, and Anne's bitter enemy: reports to Emperor Charles V. how "George Brown, Prior of Austin Friars, in London" . . . favoured Henry's divorce, and "on Easter Day (1533) first prayed for 'Queen Anne' from the pulpit."

Letter dated April 27, 1533. (Vienna Archives.) Chapuis later reported that the same "Augustinian Friar" was the priest who married the King to Anne Boleyn. Jan., 1535.

Hall and Holinshed: Both record the marriage, but date it as having been solemnised on "St. Erkenwald's Day, Nov. 14." Henry was just returned from Calais, but I incline to think they may chronicle a formal betrothal rite.

Elizabeth was born on September 8 following; therefore, not, as Mr. D. Innes states, "six months after," but seven and a-half months after the King married her mother.

Belief in Anne Boleyn's lightness of conduct is based considerably on hearsay. We know there existed a pre-nuptial contract between her, a simple knight's daughter, and Lord Percy, eldest son of the Earl of Northumberland. Why should the proudest house in England consent to this alliance with a lady of dubious Court morals?

JOHN KNIPE.
Château D'Oex, Switzerland.

H.M.S. Implacable.

Sir,—I must thank Sir Owen Seaman and Mr. Wheatly Cobb for their replies to my letter on the subject of the age and origin of the Implacable or Duguay Trouin. I did not know that many writers of repute had stated that the ship burnt at Toulon was salved and re-built at Rochefort. In any case, I should require contemporary evidence to make me believe in anything so unlikely. I was also unaware that the date 1789 had been ascribed to the ship known in her later days as H.M.S. Implacable. It was stated in "The Mariner's Mirror" in 1925 and 1926, on the authority of the Admiralty Librarian, that the Duguay Trouin was built at Rochefort in 1800, and that—

if any part of this (the first) ship was saved and used to build the present Implacable at Rochefort, I have seen no evidence for it.

The question seems to me to be settled by a statement in Brun's "Guerres maritimes de la France: Port de Toulon" (vol. 2, p. 420). Speaking of the work in progress at Toulon in 1805, he says:—

Rear-Admiral Emeriau went on vigorously with the work of removing the wrecks (of the ships burnt in the harbour). In 1806 there were only those of the Dictateur, Tricolore, Destin, and Duguay Trouin left.

Thus the remains of the earlier ship of the name were still in Toulon after the later ship had passed into English hands.

R. C. ANDERSON.
Basset Holt, Southampton.

Hell Fire Club.

Sir,—When motoring in Ireland some twenty-five years ago, the ruins of a large manor-house in a most picturesque countryside, about eight miles from Bray, Co. Wicklow, and some twenty miles from Dublin, were pointed out to me as the remains of the Irish Hell Fire Club. According to my Irish friend, the club was founded by a number of "young bloods" who were members of the leading county families, and used it as a meeting-place to indulge in wild orgies. On one occasion they had invited a guest to whom the members wished to pay particular honour. The club cook at this time was a very indifferent one, and could not be relied upon to serve an important dinner, so the committee decided to bring a French cook from Paris. The new cook duly arrived, but as he had only a large open grate to cook by, and was not accustomed to an open fire, he spoiled the dinner. After dinner, when all had wined too well and eaten too badly, the company adjourned to interview the cook and receive his explanation. As this was not satisfactory, he was seized and held over the fire. The members, being so inebriated, did not realise how hot the fire was and when they considered sufficient punishment had been inflicted on him they found they had roasted him alive. A parley was held, and it was decided to set fire to the club and burn it down to cover up all traces of the orgy. The club was broken up the same night.

Hereford. S. A. R.

Readers' Queries.

[The number of readers' queries that reach us is now so great that a small proportion only can be published, and we endeavour, therefore, to make a selection of those of most general interest.]

Can any fellow-reader tell me the name of the writer of the following lines?—

I and my heart, we lie apart,
Here lie the bones of me,
Would that I lay where lies my heart
Under the greenwood tree.

—Quota (Whitehall Court, S.W.).

I wonder if any of your older readers interested in the collection and history of the old "penny plain, twopence coloured" theatrical prints can put me on to any literary references. Apart from R. L. Stevenson's famous essay and to Dickens's references in (I think) "David Copperfield," there seems to have been very little written about the subject.—Arthur Wilton (Merton Park).

Will "Cog," of Edinburgh, send us his full address, as we have several letters for him?

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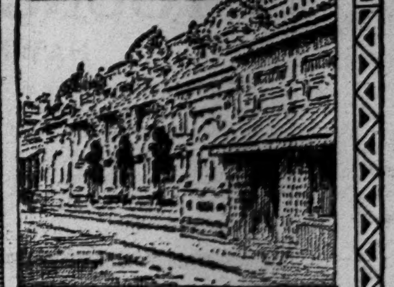
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AUSTRIA TO-DAY.

RECOVERED MORALE.

"WEIN, WEIB UND GESANG" AGAIN.

By J. O. P. BLAND.

In the years immediately following the peace-making of Versailles (wherein is no peace) the little that the Allies left of Austria was sorely embittered as the result of President Wilson's patchwork politics and pedagogic idealism. The nation found itself financially crippled, fearful as to the future, and generally restless. I remember one summer in the Tyrol, at the critical time when the krone was rapidly losing all purchasing power and the middle-class were faced with the prospect of utter ruin; when foreign profiteers were gathering to Vienna, like vultures to a carcase, gloating over their bargains; one was unpleasantly conscious of a widespread feeling of bitterness and resentment, something which Englishmen had never experienced before, even during the war.

Those were the days dark with the shadow of Communism when Moscow's agents were busy in the land, days when the average law-abiding citizen could see no way out of the slough of despond and, shrugging his shoulders, let the "Reds" secure control, not only of Vienna, but of most of the provincial municipalities. The process of recovery from that dismal state has been slow and painful, and it has naturally entailed great changes, notably the impoverishment of the *rentier* class and the elimination of the old nobility. Nevertheless, despite bad trade conditions and some neighbours that are none too friendly, despite the winds of unrest that for ever blow around and about the Balkans, despite the feud between the Heimwehr and the Socialists, the Austrian people have gradually recovered their equanimity and with it a good deal of the old *joie de vivre*.

A FRIENDLY PEOPLE.

They have their troubles, like the rest of us, and the future is none too promising in matters political, but they decline to be downhearted. "*Wein, Weib und Gesang*" have resumed their accustomed place in the national philosophy, and the cultivation of cheerful minds in healthy bodies has become a national pursuit, manifestly successful. Anyone can see for himself that the rising generation, at all events, is healthy and cheerful. One meets them by the thousand, hiking it at week-ends through the mountain districts, generally two and two, the girls' knapsacks as heavy as the lads', their limbs as sturdy, and their walking kit much of a muchness. With the exception, here and there, of a "Red Falcon" youth or flapper, who behaves uncouthly on fixed Communistic principles all these youngsters are jolly, friendly and polite. Give them a "Grüss Gott" for their "Guten Tag," and you will have smiles all the way. (Failing a knowledge of the language "Great Scot" and "Good Dog" will serve equally well.)

We English have always been well received and kindly treated in Austria—even during the war. They like us, as we like them, because of a certain compatibility of temperament, a foundation for good relations which is unfortunately too often lacking in countries that loom much larger in our affairs. One of the chief pleasures of residence or travel in this country is the comfortable feeling that one is among friends whose habits and tastes are much the same as our own.

THE WOMAN'S PART.

"*Wein, Weib und Gesang*"—the gather-ye-rosebuds philosophy of old Omar, adapted to Teutonic conditions—fairly expresses, I think, the average Austrian temperament; the peasantry, especially, often remind one of the happy-go-lucky Irish in their capacity for getting enjoyment out of simple things. And they, like us, have added a very important item to old Omar's list of the things that make for contentment: no Austrian house is complete without its dog; which goes to show that their conception of civilised man is based on sound principles.

And for this, I imagine, the nation is largely indebted to its womenfolk. Vienna has suffered many things in recent years. Much of the city's spacious dignity has gone for ever with the Empire and its dismembered provinces; Ichabod is writ large on many of its high places. But its women have lost none of the peculiar charm of grace and gaiety for which they have always been famous. They are great at beauty shows and competitions, where the average of good looks and smart clothes is as high as in Paris, London, or New York, and their menfolk (small blame to them) give them plenty of encouragement, whether it be in an elaborate furrier's mannequin parade in Vienna, or a competition for the best pair of legs in some provincial town.

MEN, WOMEN, AND MEMORIES.

THE GREATEST LIVING DIPLOMAT—A POET LAUREATE'S MEMORIES—LORD LOTHIAN IN PUBLIC LIFE—ROGER CASEMENT AND CHILDERS.

By ATTICUS.

"Who is the ablest diplomat in Europe?" The question was raised rather suddenly at a recent gathering of persons mutually interested in the League of Nations. Mr. Lloyd George, M. Briand, and others were mentioned, but when someone remembered M. Venizelos it was agreed that he came first. The company unanimously declared that the Greek Prime Minister is the ablest diplomat not only in Europe but in the world.

His return to Greece with another feather in his cap confirms the verdict. Who would have supposed that a Greek could have come to such friendly agreement with the supposedly implacable enemy of his country, the Yhazi Mustapha Kemal? Yet, only a week or two before, this same man had talked round to his point of view the assembled delegates of the rival Balkan States. After the War, no representative of a small State so impressed his personality on the minds of the Allied statesmen as M. Venizelos. He quickly found a kindred spirit—some have said a victim—in Mr. Lloyd George. He has a genius for charming away the memories of old rivalries. It was by this power that he succeeded in the biggest task of his life—that of persuading the rulers of Bulgaria and Serbia to forget their traditional hatreds and join Greece in the famous Balkan Alliance which threw Turkey out of Macedonia.

In several conversations with him I have been impressed by the intimacy of his knowledge of current Western politics. When, unfolding his case, he moves restlessly and eagerly in his chair, with many gesticulations, one remembers his Cretan origin. But he has a smile which a Serbian professor once described to me as "English." Unlike most Greek or Balkan politicians, he strikes one not as a leader of a small State but as a statesman of the world.

AN UNOFFICIAL DIPLOMAT.

In speaking of the Balkan Alliance it is worth recalling that even M. Venizelos would never have succeeded, and perhaps never even have conceived the plan, but for an Englishman who devoted years of his life to the effort to make the Balkan States compose their differences. I refer to the late Mr. Bourchier, who as a newspaper correspondent in the Near East acquired so great and so mysterious an influence that his name became a legend. He had his headquarters at Sofia, and made frequent pilgrimages to Belgrade and Athens. He knew everyone; understood all the cross-currents of politics in those terribly political countries; and was respected for his cold wisdom, his disinterestedness, and the vast background of influence with which he was universally credited.

He suffered from extreme deafness. Often, when I used to meet him during his visits to London before the Balkan Wars, I wondered how he succeeded, with this drawback, in keeping himself so well informed. But he almost turned it into an asset. His ear-trumpet seemed to add to his aloofness and his gravity. He would listen with great care and courtesy to a statement with which he disagreed. "Yes," was his usual preliminary reply in such cases—before proceeding to set forth the facts which were to reverse the argument.

POETRY AND SHIPS.

Is Mr. John Masefield at his best when he is writing prose or poetry? I will not venture to take part in the raging controversy as to whether his new book would or would not have been better if it were all poetry and no prose, or all prose and no poetry. To many of us the main thing is that he is writing about the concrete things that left a vivid impression on him in his youth.

When he first began to devote himself to literature and settled down in London he longed for the sight of anything that reminded him of ships and the sea; for his memory of them was as dear to him as his actual experience had been painful. He moved from a flat near Edgware Road to a house at Greenwich, because from there he could catch glimpses of shipping moving up and down the tidal waters of the Thames. When he moved again, to Maida Vale, he chose a house overlooking the Regent's Canal. Even the sight of the barges served to set memory working again. And at that period it was one of his rare pleasures—rare, because the walk was a long one for his scanty leisure time—to go into Kensington Gardens and watch the sailing boats on the Round Pond.

Mr. Masefield has moved further from that sort of thing now. But sometimes those old impressions in him come to life again, as we see in "The Wanderer, of Liverpool."

Does Lord Lothian (better known to many people as Mr. Philip Kerr) seriously intend to come out into the open as a politician? Up till recently his has been an elusive personality in the political background. Everybody knew he was there, but few people knew exactly who he was, what he had done, or what was the cause of his great reputation.

At the moment he stands before the public as the most interesting of the Liberal representatives at the India Round Table Conference. As a young man he travelled much, and spent some time in South Africa. He was associated with Mr. Lionel Curtis and the group who hid their personalities in the anonymity of "The Round Table." It is well known that as Mr. Lloyd George's secretary he played a large part in shaping British policy at the Peace Conference.

Since then—and apart from his duties as secretary of the Rhodes Trustees—he has hovered between many activities in England and America, half-veiled from the public view. He lent a helping hand when the document known as "Coal and Power" was being prepared. His sweetly reasonable, exquisitely balanced judgment has been at the disposal of the Liberal Unemployment Committee. But what next? Is he about to occupy a much more prominent place in public life?

THE SCIENTIFIC BIOGRAPHER.

Perhaps it was time that some protest by example was made against the modern portrait-painting biographers of the Lytton Strachey-Maurois type. I do not mean that Mr. Lytton Strachey and M. Maurois are not delightful—they generally are. But we cannot always dine on champagne alone, or even soup and savoury. A little solid fare is needed to remind us that the substratum of biography, after all, rests on the hard, grinding spadework of the scientific historian.

Mr. E. W. Meyerstein has turned up in the nick of time. What subject could better lend itself to the method of the novelist than Thomas Chatterton? But none of that method for Mr. Meyerstein. Chatterton's life lasted only eighteen years. Mr. Meyerstein has devoted six months' study to each year of his life, or nine years in all. He has not hesitated to search through centuries of parish registers to verify a single fact. His book in consequence is a museum for the research student, a quarry for the literary delver. Whether it may also be called a biography is a question for the reviewer.

LIVES OF LIVING MEN.

Biographies of living persons are hardly ever satisfactory. The official "Life" is obviously not available, and those in possession of the material—including the subject himself—are not willing to give too much of it away. But they may be pressed into giving some of it away. Thus Dr. Archibald Henderson, the American biographer of Mr. Shaw, compelled him to contribute to the enterprise. "You can force my hand to some extent," said Mr. Shaw, "for any story you start will pursue me to all eternity."

Every elderly man, whose Life is sure to be important, will do well to nominate his official biographer, and tell him all he can. I suggest, for example, that Mr. Arnold Bennett should invite Mr. Frank Swinnerton to begin preparing the materials for his Life.

TWO REBELS.

The old controversy about the execution of Sir Roger Casement for high treason in 1916 is likely to be raised again by Mr. Denis Gwynn's sympathetic biography. I shall not forget my own meeting with Casement, shortly after his disclosures about the Putumayo atrocities. He came into a room where I was sitting, like something blown lightly by the wind—a mild-eyed, hesitating, yet vivacious person, whom it was difficult to associate with atrocity-mongering, and whom I could not have believed capable of organising serious rebellion.

One naturally puts him, in one's mind, side by side with that other Irishman who turned from the service of Great Britain to plan her overthrow in Ireland—Erskine Childers. But what a contrast! I saw Childers many times during the sittings of the Dail in 1921-22. About him there was nothing mild or gentle. He was the remorseless calculating machine of the extreme Republicans. With icy deliberation he would build up a logical case for unquenchable hatred and war. His face looked like that of a death's head. His own supporters seemed to shrink from him in fear. How different from the sweet-tempered, dreamy Casement, who drifted into high treason!

DISARMAMENT.

IS EUROPE PREPARING?

A REPLY TO M. HERRIOT.

By BARON VON RHEINBABEN,
formerly German Secretary of State.

When the provision was inserted in the Treaty of Versailles that Germany's demobilisation and disarmament should be only the beginning of disarmament by the other nations this obligation was regarded as being absolute, as was expressly demonstrated recently by Lord Robert Cecil in an article that appeared in Germany and in France. Later on, however, notwithstanding this clear fact, the guiding star in the disarmament endeavours was not that absolute obligation, but the section of the famous Article 8 of the Versailles Treaty which brought the reduction of armaments into connection with national security. By means of a misconstruction of the Geneva decisions of 1924, security finally became the war-cry for disarmament to an extent that nearly cost disarmament its life.

It was especially France that felt her security to be menaced, in spite of the disarmament of Germany and in spite of the existence of an institution—the League of Nations—that, by means of the obligations laid down in its Statutes, proffered extensive securities to its members. As is well known, the Locarno Treaties were concluded to satisfy this demand by France for security, and the section of the Treaties known as the Rhine Pact contained not only the guarantee of England and of Italy for the maintenance of the status created in the west, but also that of Germany.

A SOLEMN OBLIGATION.

The Locarno Treaties have, however, not only been a security pact for France, they include in their Final Protocol the solemn obligation on Germany's partners henceforth to push disarmament forward. The simultaneous conclusion by Germany and Poland, and by Germany and Czechoslovakia, of Arbitration Treaties in which those countries bind themselves to settle by peaceable means all disputes arising between them was furthermore a source of great satisfaction for the East. Germany could, of course, not agree to a similar settlement for the East as for the West, for she can never recognise the frontiers drawn in the East; here imperative reasons involving her national existence compel her to uphold the right to require revision, a right that was accorded her by Article 19 of the Treaty of Versailles, and especially confirmed to her in the Covering Note of June 16, 1919.

That also other Powers, especially England, regarded the situation in the East as being different from that in the West is proved by the fact that they, too, refused a guarantee for the East. The endeavours to ensure peace were continued, however, and the conclusion of a series of Arbitration Treaties by various countries, and finally the signing of the optional clause of The Hague Statute by all great countries, which thus bound themselves to have recourse to arbitration in all legal disputes, are milestones on the way.

THE KELLOGG PACT.

If, in spite of the Locarno Treaties and of all other means to ensure peace, the call for security continues to be raised on the grounds that the lack of the guarantee in the East creates the danger of war, this argument must be completely annulled by the conclusion of the Kellogg Pact. The Kellogg Pact, signed on August 28, 1928, in which fifty-four countries bound themselves to renounce war as a means whereby to attain political aims, simply does not permit the continuance of the plea that security is menaced. How could it be otherwise when the countries that are held up as being a menace are disarmed, and when the attacker in the future will certainly incur the odium (Feme) of the public opinion of the world, which, as the period of 1914 to 1918 showed, is infinitely more effectual than even arms? Any country that to-day advances the demand for security exposes itself to the suspicion of hiding other designs behind such a demand for it could not but be assumed that the country says security and means resistance against the development which is the necessary consequence of the progress of the general ensurance of peace. The resolution agreed to at the meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations on September 26, 1928, is also based on the standpoint that the present security conditions, created by the League of Nations Treaty, by the Peace Treaties, and especially by the armament reductions by certain countries resulting from those Treaties, and also by the Locarno Treaties, would permit it to conclude immediately a first general convention for the reduction and restriction of armaments.

EUROPE'S ARMAMENTS.

In view of a security based on treaties, which nobody could have foreseen ten years ago, it is well to picture the present position of the armament of France and her military allies—Belgium, Poland, and the countries forming the Little Entente. France has at her disposal a total peace establishment, including the air forces, of 655,700 men, and a war strength of 4,500,000 men; the war material consists of 1,332 light and 1,172 heavy guns, and 120 anti-aircraft guns; 450 mine-throwers, 2,500 tanks, and 1,667 first-line air-craft, 1,000 second-line air-craft, and 2,000 training air-craft. She is constructing on her eastern frontier fortifications fulfilling the most modern requirements.

Belgium has a peace establishment of 69,163 men and a war strength of about 600,000 men, 588 light and 271 heavy guns, 96 mine-throwers, 50 tanks, and 234 aircraft.

Poland has a peace establishment of 265,871 men plus 33,170 frontier troops, a war strength of about 2,250,000 men (about 3,600,000 trained men), 1,284 light and 426 heavy guns, 270 mine-throwers, 220 tanks, and 1,000 aircraft.

Rumania has a peace establishment of 144,000 men, and a war strength of about 2,000,000 men, 1,402 light and 175 heavy guns, about 150 mine-throwers, 90 tanks, and 350 aircraft.

Jugoslavia has a peace establishment of 144,000 men, and a war strength of about 2,000,000 men, 1,104 light and 178 heavy guns, about 100 mine-throwers, 10 tanks, and 492 aircraft.

On the other hand Germany has a professional army fixed at 100,000 men, an army which has no trained reserves, which has practically no material, and can oppose to the immense quantity of war material possessed by France and her Allies only 288 light and 22 heavy guns. Germany possesses no aircraft and no tanks, her frontiers are not fortified and are open.

THE ONE THING LACKING.

Is it comprehensible, after this disarmament of Germany and after the security given to the world by the Locarno and Kellogg Pacts and by the above-mentioned security guarantees, that security should continue to play a rôle in disarmament negotiations? "Europe is ready for disarmament," and the results of the Reichstag elections on September 14 do not alter this fact. That result reveals the state of mind of a defeated nation in serious economic crisis and feeling itself menaced to the utmost. Adherence on the part of France, armed to the teeth, to her state of armament, must of necessity compel disarmed Germany finally to appeal for security.

No; what is lacking for security besides a policy of honest collaboration and better understanding of the absolutely imperative vital demands of, next to Russia, the numerically greatest nation in Europe, is clearly enough universal disarmament. It is the duty and task of all countries to ensure that this aim is achieved before the nations lose confidence in international obligations solemnly undertaken, and before the very existence of the League of Nations itself is threatened.

"THE TOWN": MEN AND INTIMACIES

By "AUTOLYCUS."

Princess Elizabeth of York will not be five years old until the 21st of April next year, but, even so, she is having an authoritative biography this week. When one says "authoritative" one means that it is written by someone who was in the Duchess of York's household and that the Duchess herself is understood to have read it. No doubt it will be a favourite gift for Christmas, because the little Princess is the heroine of every English nursery; but she, fortunately for her future, does not know that. She remains, according to all accounts, quite unspoilt, and in her physical and mental activities very much of a growing girl. She was born in Bruton Street, the town house of her grandfather, the Earl of Strathmore, but knows London as she sees it from the high windows of the mansion which the Duke and Duchess of York occupy at the western end of Piccadilly. There she watches the stream of traffic go by down below, and when something specially interests and excites her she says, "Mummy, mummy, come to Lilliebeth," her name for Elizabeth.

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This week brings a 44th anniversary to the Marquis of Carisbrooke, who was known, prior to 1917, as Prince Alexander of Battenburg. A grandson of Queen Victoria, brother of the Queen of Spain, and cousin of King George, the Marquis does not consider Royal blood a barrier to a commercial career, and for some years past has taken an active part in the control of a famous shipping firm. On behalf of his firm he makes frequent visits to America, where he has gained popularity and esteem on account of his democratic manner and business capacity.

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Lady Cynthia Mosley, who broadcasts regularly a talk on "The Week at Westminster," often comes up specially to do so from one or other of her country homes, which present a remarkable contrast. The first is a converted Y.M.C.A. hut, high up on the Sussex Downs at Ditchling Beacon, that Lady Cynthia took from Sir Stephen Demetriadi, who lived there whilst his own house, "The Gote," was being altered. The other is the Savehay Farm, portions of which date from 900, a delightful, glorified "cottage" set in ideal surroundings on the banks of the River Colne at Denham. In one of the oak-raftered bedrooms the walls are covered with a coloured fresco dated 1606 of the second chapter of Exodus, in which Moses is first depicted being taken from the bulrushes by two ladies in stiff, Elizabethan ruffs, and, later, drawing water from the well at Midian immaculately clad à la Sir Walter Raleigh in doublet and hose. In one of the sitting-rooms, hung with Harrington Mann portraits of her two children, Lady Cynthia keeps her electrically lit and heated aquarium, filled with tiny, but very rare, harlequin fish, most of which she brings back from a shop in Paris in a tin can.

Lady Birkenhead left with Lady Pamela Smith in a P. and O. boat for Gibraltar at the week-end. They will there join the yacht lent by Mr. Purbrick, M.P., for a few weeks, and will cross over to the African coast, returning in two months' time. Lady Birkenhead has been clearing out of 32, Grosvenor Gardens, which is now empty of everything but the furniture which the family wish to dispose of, and the books of the late Lord Birkenhead. The latter are to be sold on December 12, and contain some very interesting documents and books.

Lady Eleanor Smith and Viscount Furneaux, now the new Lord Birkenhead, remain behind for respective obligations. Viscount Furneaux is engaged upon some articles of a historical character, and will return to Oxford to complete his fourth year and take his degree. He will then start at once upon the authoritative life of his father, which he hopes to produce within four years. He has not only inherited his father's art of invective, but possesses independently a real style of his own. Recent examiners at Oxford allege that his essays have been the best they have seen for many years.

Meanwhile Lady Eleanor Smith will stay with Lady Juliet Duff for a few weeks. She has not only produced several short stories since the success of her last novel "Red Waggon," but she has been engaged upon another novel, the proofs of which she will finish this week.

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An interesting figure happens to be in London at the moment, Prince Serge Romanovsky, who has come from the South of France to exhibit some of his own pictures. His aunt is the Queen of Italy, but he is best known, because of his step-father, the famous Grand Duke Nicholas, who stood 6 ft. 7 ins., and was the main cause of the defeat of the Germans in September, 1914. The Grand Duke Nicholas subsequently was deprived of his command of the Army owing to a quarrel between him and the Czar over Rasputin. The Prince himself was captured by the Revolutionaries, but got away and took up art. He is showing his paintings for the first time in England, and they are on view at the house of an Anglo-Belgian friend.

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Captain of Harrow, Cambridge, Yorkshire, and England at cricket, an ex-president of the M.C.C., and Governor of Bengal, Sir Stanley Jackson will be 60 on Friday—a fact which will not occasion his friends the world over much consternation, for his carriage is as erect and springy as of yore. As an all-round amateur cricketer, "Jacker" is the only man who has ever approached the prowess of "W. G." Entering Parliament for Howdenshire during the war in succession to his father-in-law, he was selected in 1923 to succeed the redoubtable Lord Younger as chairman of the Conservative Party Organisation. To that task he applied the same qualities as he had devoted to cricket, and in India he has kept his end up with notable success. Things may look threatening at times, but it is scarcely possible to undermine "Jacker's" infectious self-confidence. He was home on leave during the summer, and, needless to say, he was one of the prominent spectators of the Lord's Test Match, and doubtless came away one of Bradman's warmest admirers.

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On Tuesday Viscount FitzHarris, the heir of the Earl of Malmesbury, will be 23. This young man had the fortune—good or otherwise—of having the then Kaiser Wilhelm II. as one of his sponsors. The Emperor, then staying in England, paid a visit to Heron Court a few days after his lordship's birth, and showed marked courtesy on the occasion, for as he passed through the house he checked his staff talking lest they should disturb Lady Malmesbury. It must have been on the occasion of this visit to England that the "All Highest" received an invitation from a South County Mayor to visit the town *and conduct the band!*

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The Rt. Hon. L. G. Amery, ex-Colonial Secretary, who is 58 this week, makes up by mental vigour and courage for his lack of height. One plucky action of his has made him the hero of a legend. In the days of his youth, when travelling in the Near East, he one day broke his umbrella over the head of a Turkish soldier who was molesting a Bulgarian woman. A year or two later, in Macedonia, some of the tribesmen, not knowing who he was, told him of the incident. In their story, however, two battalions of Turkish regulars had been routed by a solitary Englishman armed only with a stick. They described him as "incredibly fierce and gigantic of stature."

Lord Macmillan's versatility is well known. Whenever a Government, either Tory or Socialist, wants a difficult job done thoroughly it appoints him as chairman of a Commission, and sometimes even constitutes him as a Court of Inquiry in himself. Lunacy, coal, street offences, wool, shipbuilding, and banking are a few of the subjects he has tackled for recent Governments. And he confessed at the League of Remembrance dinner the other evening that he always wished that he could do some sewing, and that he had, in fact, made some cross-stitch mats. Incidentally, Lord Macmillan is epigramatic. One of his sayings was, "I never see a man in a distinguished position without looking over his shoulders to see what woman did it." He was at the moment commending the enthusiasm of Mrs. Gibson, the honorary general manager of the League, which, begun during the war to supply bandages and other hospital equipment, continues in days of peace to supply hospitals, clinics, and infant welfare centres.

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SENT EMPTY AWAY.

"DELAY is hazardous; the time for action has come. . . . We dare not fail." Six weeks ago these words were uttered like a challenge from the lips of the Canadian PRIME MINISTER. They had an electrical effect upon the Imperial Conference. This sounded like business; at last, it seemed, the hopes of a real advance in Imperial economic relations could be looked for; the Dominions' Premiers meant action as they had never meant it before. The day before yesterday this same Conference broke up in an atmosphere of defeat and frustration. Certain small advances have been made; the closing speeches put as polite an interpretation as they could on the meagre results that have been attained. But beneath the thin veneer of compliments and kind words there was evident the coarse grain of disappointment.

"We dare not fail"—and we have failed. The fault has certainly not been the Dominions'. When they said they meant business they did mean business, but no attempt was made to meet them at the counter. Before we proceed to examine why, let us first set on record what actually *has* been done. It will not occupy much space. Almost the whole of it is taken up by the more dubiously necessary and certainly far less urgent aspect of Imperial affairs that is concerned with constitutional issues. Here certain of the matters raised in 1926 have been carried a stage forward. The question of equality of status has been adjusted; the Home Government has agreed to introduce a statute to implement the report of the Conference on the Operation of Dominion Legislation; the principle of an *ad hoc* tribunal to deal with disputes has been accepted, but no decision has been reached on the right of appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. So much for the constitutional advances. On the economic side—the side which could bind the nations of the Empire together far more firmly than any written book of rules—the results are even more meagre. Existing preferences are not to be removed for three years (a tardy act of grace by Mr. SNOWDEN); the "quota" for wheat is to be examined; economic discussions are to be resumed at Ottawa some time within the next twelve months.

Far more formidable than the list of achievements is the list of what has not been done. The whole economic record of the Conference is one of nullity or deferment. "Delay is dangerous," said Mr. BENNETT at the beginning; but the Imperial Government's whole attitude has been one of chicken-hearted delay. Lacking the courage to accept the Dominions' offer, the Government could not even summon the courage to announce its refusal. The lamentable and almost incredible fact emerges that it was not until the day before the Conference was due to break up that the Government's decision on the fiscal issue was made known.

It may be that Mr. BENNETT's proposals as they stood did not admit of acceptance. But that was certainly no reason for refusing them out of hand. No attempt was made at bargaining; no effort, no intention was shown of even discussing terms. The best hand ever dealt a Government at an Imperial Conference table was thrown in without a glance. When the Canadian PREMIER put his cards on the table, the Home Government, instead of responding, folded its arms and refused to play.

This Government must surely go down to history as the most incompetent of the century. There was no time, it weakly explains, to settle things in six weeks: we must meet again and have another chat. Why was there no time? Because Ministers, though they knew from the day they came into office that the Conference was due to meet in October of this year and that economic questions of the first importance ought to be discussed, did exactly and precisely nothing to prepare the ground beforehand. Consequently, they came to the Conference table with empty pockets and empty heads. The next stage is in Ottawa. The one hope for its success is that, between now and then, the present inept Government of this country will have been replaced by one that knows its own mind.

HOME TO ROOST.

SELDOM can a Government have received so prompt a judgment for its sins as the present Government seems likely to receive for its mischievous folly in persisting with the Coal Mines Bill in the face of every authoritative warning. The Government has cast its bread upon the waters, and after not many but a few days it has found it ashes in the mouth. Difficulties have so steadily mounted up in the various coalfields, that already suggestions have been made that the operation of Part III. of the Coal Mines Act, restoring the seven and a-half hour day, should be deferred for six months. By this means it is hoped that the danger of a national coal stoppage next month may be averted.

The Act makes provision for the shorter day to come into force on the first day of next month. It is already clear, however, that the reduction in hours cannot possibly be effected without reducing wages; the alternative would be to close down the mines. In spite of every warning, the Government, at the time when it was pressing the Act through Parliament, relied on the vague and, as it now proves to have been, mistaken hope that the various schemes for amalgamation and marketing under the Act would effect such economies in production as would enable the requisite reduction of hours to be made without a reduction of wages. The best opinion vigorously combatted this view at the time. It is now shown to have been right. Within four months of the passing of the Act the Government is faced with the uncomfortable alternative of passing an Amending Bill to postpone the date of introduction of the seven and a-half hour day, or of facing a crisis and a stoppage in the industry.

Thus has a reckless election promise come swiftly home to roost. The Government deserves no sympathy. It had purchased the miners' vote with a bribe, and it was forced to introduce unworkable legislation to fulfil a pledge that should never have been given. The miners of South Wales have declared that they would rather continue to work eight hours a day for existing wages than work seven and a-half hours a day for lower wages; the question is to be discussed by the Miners' Federation as a whole this week. If the Federation decides in the same sense as the South Wales miners, the Government may find itself, more fortunately than it deserves, temporarily relieved of its embarrassment by the timely good sense of the very unfortunates whom it has duped.

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INTERVENES.

WE cannot congratulate the Government of India on its despatch dealing with the SIMON Commission's proposals. No doubt it was a difficult task to secure unanimity in a Government composed of Lord IRWIN, the Commander-in-Chief, the Finance Member, ten British members of the Indian Civil Service, a Moslem, a Hindu, and one Indian Christian. But it cannot have been a task more difficult than the attainment of complete agreement by a Commission composed of the nominees of three British political parties; and the SIMON Commission did not arrive at unity either by increasing the scope of its proposals or by adopting colourless phrases.

The despatch, we must admit, contains some useful criticism of specific proposals made by the SIMON Commission, and at a much later stage, when the future constitution of India is being drafted, it will help. But it betrays a deplorable inability to look, except for a few moments and then only out of courtesy to the Commission, beyond British India and its immediate requirements. It is thoroughly bureaucratic. It acknowledges, in a rather depressed tone, that the eventual objective is Federation. But Federation, for the Government of India, is so very far away that really we need not trouble ourselves much about it now. We need not, it seems, even ensure that the next step taken is on the way leading to Federation. Thus, instead of adopting a system whereby the provinces would be represented in the central legislature of All-India as provinces, we are to cling to a body like the present Legislative Assembly, many of the members of which are elected by constituencies so fantastically vast that representation becomes a farce. However, on this matter the Government of India has not reached absolute finality. It will be ready, we gather, to give a lead when it has been given a push—when "the matter has been thoroughly discussed at the Round Table Conference and Indian opinion has expressed itself fully."

There is some force in the Government of India's contention that a stronger central executive than that likely to result from the Commission's scheme is needed; and there is real wisdom in the warning that the emphasis laid on reserved control of the Army as an obstacle to complete self-government should not be allowed to create the erroneous belief that nothing else stands between India and full Dominion autonomy. But such incidental merits cannot reconcile us to the departmentalism which narrows and deadens the greater part of the despatch. The SIMON Commission's Report was widely read by persons having next to no previous knowledge of its subject: the despatch will, we fear, be read by few who are not so deeply interested in the Indian problem as to tolerate its uninspired method and its reluctance to look up from the day's work.

LIBERALS AND LABOUR.

SIR JOHN SIMON, in his speech to his constituents yesterday, underlined and clarified his position in regard to the Government and his own party. His main point was that Liberals in the House of Commons were being actuated in the way they were voting too little by conscience and conviction, too much by fear of the consequences of defeat. As "A Student of Politics" pointed out in these pages last week, "the infallible rule of political prudence is to act on convictions and never mind the consequences." Quoting CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN, SIR JOHN SIMON reminded his audience of the fate of the Conservative Government in 1905: "For years they have lived on tactics, and now they have died of tactics."

With this attitude anyone who cares for the good name of politics and of the Liberal Party is bound to agree. No good can come of supporting a Government against one's better judgment in order to stave off uncomfortable consequences or to keep someone else out. As to judgment, the Government's record, as quoted by SIR JOHN, should settle the matter for any reasonable man. A million more unemployed, and, as Mr. LLOYD GEORGE has said, not even any attempt "to begin to tackle" the problem; the muddle over the Insurance Fund; the Education Bill folly. On every count, of conscience and of common-sense, the Liberal case for maintaining the Socialists in office is untenable.

THE DYING ELM.

NOTORIOUSLY treacherous, the elm is much too beautiful a tree and much too characteristic of the English countryside for its extinction to be accepted without great regret. But, so far as can at present be seen, there is no way of curing or circumscribing the obscure disease which smote a solitary elm in Hertfordshire in 1927, and has now spread to over twenty counties in the South and Midlands.

The immediate cause, it appears from the report of the Forestry Commission, is a fungus peculiar to trees of the elm family, and there seems reason to suppose that the infecting spores are disseminated by insects and birds rather than by the wind. The worst offender probably is the elm bark beetle. But even if the extermination of the beetle were possible, and if all the already infected trees were destroyed, migratory birds from the Continent would only too soon introduce the disease again. But it is not in the nature of European man to sit down fatalistically under such visitations, and we may look for some endeavour to coordinate the results, such as they are, reached by British and Continental workers on this problem. There should have been such joint effort earlier. In all such matters it is unwise to let Nature get a long start without making sure that she is in benign or at worst in no more than sportive mood. It is an interesting reflection that not the human or animal families only, but the vegetable kingdom as well, is subject to the mysterious and mortal laws of epidemic.

SYMPATHY WITH LYONS.

THERE will be heartfelt sympathy throughout this country for the French people and for the inhabitants of Lyons in the disaster which has befallen that city. That sympathy will be quickened in this instance by a vivid memory of the extreme kindness and consideration extended by the French people themselves when our own R101 and her crew came to disaster on French soil.

Lord TYRRELL, His Majesty's Ambassador in Paris, has speedily sent to M. HERRIOT, the Mayor of Lyons, a message of deep and sincere sympathy. In doing that he is expressing the view not only of himself, but of the whole British nation. In both disasters, that which befell our airship and that which has befallen the City of Lyons, mankind has been at the sudden mercy of Nature. It is an experience too common in human history, but these latest examples of it and the sympathies they have called forth on both sides should serve to strengthen the mutual regard and good will of the French and British nations for one another.

IRISH BRIO.

"THE Irish," said Doctor JOHNSON, "are a fair people: they never speak well of one another"; and it is refreshing to find free speech still in its vigour at Cork. It was asserted at a recent meeting of the Cork Harbour Board that the members, on the convivial occasion of a colleague's funeral, had charged the whisky to the Board. The chairman was on his feet in an instant. "An ex-officio," he declared, "having wormed his way into the citizens of Cork a few years ago, worms his way further down here to insult, to criticise, to ridicule us! It is intolerable!" The ex-officio was undaunted; a little later he had the temerity to question the chairman's re-election. "There are," he was informed by that worthy gentleman, "more brains in my little toe than in your whole carcase, and there is more generosity in the bunion of that little toe than in the whole of your family." A short way with the dissenters indeed: one wishes something of that spirit could extend to this country. How vastly the prestige of Parliament would be raised were Mr. MAXTON and Mr. LLOYD GEORGE to begin discussing each other's toes!

Fightin' like divils for conciliation,
An' hatin' each other for the love of God.

Undoubtedly what we need is a little Irish brio.

OUR WEAK-KNEED GOVERNMENT

IN BONDAGE TO CATCHWORDS.

HOW IT MAY BE ENDED.

THE DUTY OF THE OPPOSITION.

By "Scrutator."

A Government which could survive the Conservative amendment to the Address and the discussion on the maintenance allowances under the new Education Bill is quite as likely to survive the Trade Disputes or any other Bill. Indeed, it may, as things are, live on until it is ready to fall next year. If trade improves, that will be sooner; if it grows worse it may be later, but already it is evident what issues it is preparing. It will try to raise the odium of food taxes, and to rally the trade unions on some issue of their privilege, hoping that it will serve them as did the Osborne judgments. So far the inspiration will be the election of 1906. But, in addition, Mr. Snowden is likely to oppose to the indirect taxation of Protection some projects of direct taxation which it is hoped will please the many. If he is barred by his promise of last year from introducing these proposals in his Budget, he may nevertheless go to the country on them either before his next Budget or after. Accident may change these plans or cause an earlier defeat; but both Labour and Liberal leaders seem to take good care to avoid accident. The question is whether the Conservatives are doing all that is possible to end this Government.

Can We Afford It ?

Can the country afford another six months of this Government? The result of the Shipley election is no doubt encouragement to think that the tide is rising fast against the Government. Dangerous again as the Government's legislation is, the House of Lords can be trusted to hold up measures like the Trades Disputes Bill and such as are not money Bills. But the dangers of delay are not solely or mainly in new legislation. The obvious anxiety of the Conservatives to defeat the Government soon, and their anger with the Liberals for saving it, show that they are by no means convinced even of the purely party advantage of delay. The hazards of a popular election are many, and a Government which is allowed to choose its own time for an appeal to the country starts with a great initial advantage. Even if Conservatives can count on a majority, they cannot count on one large enough to carry through a policy of their own. It took more than thirty years to establish Free Trade; Protection cannot be established in its place in one, or even two, Parliaments. Even, therefore, if the party can safely delay, can the industries of the country stand another six months of this Government, with the prospect of the long uncertainty that may follow?

Under Bureaucracy's Thumb.

That the existing Government is the worst of all time is the common form of party controversy, but the charges against the present Government are not conventional. These are times of crisis no less grave than that of war. We need now quite as much as then a Government which can take rapid decisions, and realises the value of time; which can rule instead of being ruled by its civil servants; which can cut adrift from phrases; in a word, which is realist. By all these tests the Government fails so lamentably that its continuance in office not merely does nothing to cure our maladies, but may exaggerate them past cure. This is a Government which is under the thumb of its own civil service. That means that every department is trying to increase its own importance, and that there is no one able enough to reduce this anarchy to a true sense of the general interest.

One example of this weakness is the trouble in Palestine that will be debated in the House to-morrow. It is probably quite true that neither Lord Passfield nor the Prime Minister intended what was being done. They were both the victims of a civil service that knew quite well what it wanted, but, as it happens in this case, overstepped the mark in its eagerness to get its way. A further consequence of this anarchy is that every department is engaged in a conspiracy to spend more. The mere automatic increase of expenditure due to this cause has gone far to wipe out all the efforts that we have made to reduce our debt. Perhaps no minority Government could ever hope for success in a struggle with its own bureaucracy; certainly no Government can with so large a measure of sheer incompetence amongst its members as is to be found in this.

Folly of the Education Bill.

Again, this is a Government which is completely under the bondage of words, phrases, and catchwords. The best example of that, perhaps, is the Education Bill. This Bill begins by taking the departmental view that if more wheels are set going round the cause of education is being served. Its framers never for a moment considered what the real value of another year at school for everyone was in terms of increased fitness. It never weighed this value against the increased cost; it never inquired whether increased expenditure in one direction might not be balanced by economy in others. It made of the word education a mere narcotic of thought.

Worse still, it mixed up education with unemployment. Alas! for true education. No sooner is it released from the quarrels of religious sects than it is made a drudge of unemployment. In other causes which Labour might be supposed to have particularly at heart there is the same bondage to words. On disarmament there never were so many fine exordia; but of any ability to translate the ideal into practical policy not a sign. On unemployment the same contrast between words and performance with the added touch of dishonesty, inasmuch as they purchased power by promises which they knew perfectly well they could not meet, and which, in fact, they have never attempted to meet except by borrowings from the other parties.

Corruption of Politics.

This Government, again, is a corrupt Government, inasmuch as it persistently engages in purchasing votes out of public money, and that without reference to any well considered philosophy of the general well-being. Perhaps it is impossible for a party which is in its nucleus a class party ever to be genuinely and broadly democratic, for democracy is not government in the interest of any class or of any majority, but of all classes and of justice, which is the foundation of the state. In finance it has never yet decided whether high taxation is a good thing as a way of equalising the disparities between classes or whether it is a bad thing, for the reason that made the Free Traders of last century desperate zealots for national economy. Its profession has been bourgeois, its practice has been Socialistic. It performs the tragedy of Free Trade without Prince Cobden.

A genuine Socialist Government would do much harm in a very short time, but at any rate it would be intellectually honest; we could not complain that it had deceived us or that the fault in electing it to power was not our own. But a Government which is bourgeois and Socialist by turns and at convenience infects the whole of our politics with hypocrisy and insincerity. For that reason Parliamentary institutions are falling into disrepute. Westminster presents a mere stage play; the real work of politics takes place "off."

Conservatives and Liberals.

The blame for these dangers that grow with each month's continuance of the Government in power is on the Liberals, but not wholly. It is not possible to refer the grotesque inconsistencies of Liberal policy in the House to any view of the public interest; the considerations that compel them are purely tactical. Whether any English party can imitate the tactics of the old Irish Party without ruining itself is no doubt a matter of opinion. The fear of Protection is certainly no excuse for keeping this Government in power, for an election could only give the country an opportunity of pronouncing on this issue, and to acquiesce in policies that it dislikes rather than run that risk certainly does not show that trust in the people for which Liberalism is supposed to stand. Liberals are still in the main Free Traders, but there is one thing that they care more about than Free Trade, namely, some measure of electoral reform that promises them fairer representation in the next Parliament in proportion to their numbers in the country. What Home Rule was to the old Irish Party, electoral reform is to the Liberals; they are supporting the Government in the hope of it; they would defeat the Government if they had a better promise of it from the Conservatives.

If Conservatives refuse because they do not see why they should increase the representation of a party which will probably oppose them on Protection, why, then, despite their hostile votes, they are themselves partly responsible for keeping the Government in power. If you wish the end you must wish also the means. Conservatives who accuse Liberals of keeping the Government in power against their own convictions for tactical reasons forget that they are thereby exposing themselves to the same charge. Their neglect to seek a bargain by which the Liberals should join them in putting out the Government in return for a promise of electoral reform is only defensible by the argument which few would endorse, that electoral reform is more dangerous than the present Government. Nor is it true that no negotiation is possible with a party so disunited. Disloyal as Liberals are to each other, this is probably the one issue on which they would vote unanimously.

A Council of State.

There is strong reason for the view that a change in our fiscal policy cannot be carried through by one party, and that, even if it could, it would be bad for the trade of the country that its basis should be the recurrent subject of controversy between the parties. That may well disincline the Conservatives to make arrangements with the Liberals, from whom they would get no assistance on Protection, and thereby to alienate Labour, which has Protection in its bones. But has the idea of Parliament as a Council of State lost all the force of its appeal? The issue of Free Trade and Protection is only one aspect of many in the central problem of our politics, which is unemployment and the preservation of our competitive power in the markets of the world. And, besides dealing with unemployment, we need to grapple with the great problem of national economy and with the corruption that is taking root in our politics. It is hardly conceivable that one party, however strong, would be equal to a task so enormous and so multifarious. So long as Protection is a dominant issue, alliance between Conservatives and Liberals is out of the question, except for the definite specific object of turning out the Government. But even that limited object might well be made worth while for both.

The Ideal Course.

Would not the ideal course for our politics to follow in the immediate future, assuming that a single party victory is out of the question, run something like this? An arrangement is concluded between the Conservatives and Liberals by which, in return for a measure of electoral reform, Liberals undertake to join with the Conservatives to turn out the Government at the first opportunity. This arrangement is communicated to the Prime Minister, with the reminder that he has himself advocated turning Parliament into a Council of State. Why, on condition that his Government resigns voluntarily, should there not be an interregnum of non-party Government to shape the grave issues of national policy? Might it not be possible in this interim period to extend a measure of Protection to those industries that are in immediate need, always on the understanding that the general policy is subjected to the decision of the electorate in six months? Might not the same period be used to define issues and shape a policy in other departments of national policy? That is the course of events which promises to be most beneficial and to be in the long run most speedy in its operation. If the result were also to effect new alignment of parties and new groupings, that would be an additional gain. And if this be the ideal policy, is there any reason why Parliament continues to stultify itself as it is doing? Given the will to take it, the way out is easy.

FUTURE OF PALESTINE.

BALFOUR DECLARATION

A PERSONAL STORY.

By BLANCHE E. C. DUGDALE.

[Mrs. Edgar Dugdale is a niece of the late Lord Balfour and edited his "Chapters of Autobiography," which was recently published.]

To-morrow the House of Commons is to discuss the Government's new statement of Palestine policy, and no doubt also the allegation that it contains breaches of our pledges to the Jews. The question at issue being the good faith of this country it may be worth while to recall some of the events that led up to the promise ever being made, and to add what I know at first hand of the reasons that made Lord Balfour a supporter of Zionist claims in Palestine.

The "Balfour Declaration" of 1917 is so called because, as Foreign Secretary, Balfour signed the letter to Lord Rothschild which, incorporated later in the Mandate, became the guarantee of the National Home. But the accident which caused the British promise to bear Balfour's name was not accidental in essence. If he had been hostile, or even indifferent, it is doubtful, considering his office and his personal weight, whether the recognition of rights, founded on historic connection with Palestine, would have been given. His belief in the rightness of what had been done was as strong at the time of his death last spring as it had been when the obligations to the Jews were undertaken in 1917.

It is curious that a British Cabinet's first knowledge of Zionism came through the opening up of British East Africa to white settlement. In 1903, during Balfour's Premiership, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, as Colonial Secretary, made his historic African journey. One of its by-products was a suggestion that Zionists should accept facilities for colonising 6,000 square miles on the borders of Uganda, and what is now Kenya. The offer was formally made in a letter signed by Lord Lansdowne, as Foreign Secretary, to Herzl, the leader of the movement that was growing among Continental Jewry.

JEWRY'S ASPIRATION.

After long and agonising consideration the offer was not accepted, the Russian Zionists insisting that the Jewish National idea itself would perish if the hope of a National Home was separated from the hope of a National Home *in Palestine*. Even from the British point of view, we now see that the instinct was sound. Let us be grateful for it. The colonising of East Africa has developed problems enough of its own since then. The decision, however, tore the Zionist body asunder for the time being. But Chamberlain's offer greatly strengthened the National Anglophil feeling in Jewry, not least among those who had felt compelled to reject it. "If Great Britain feels like that, Great Britain will one day help us back to Palestine." So said Weizmann, later to become President of the World Zionist organisation.

After the split, and the temporary break in Zionist effort, Weizmann settled in Manchester as a lecturer in chemistry at the University. To Manchester in 1906 came Balfour, to fight the General Election. A link between the Prime Minister and the chemist was made by the chairman of the Conservative Club, himself a Zionist Jew. He was one of those who had wished for acceptance of the East African scheme, but he knew A. J. B. well enough to be sure that Weizmann, and Weizmann's point of view, would interest him.

AN HISTORIC INTERVIEW.

So the two met, alone, at Balfour's election headquarters in the Queen's Hotel. The conversation, famous now in Zionist history, lasted more than an hour.

Among the questions that arose were: What would the constructive capacity of the nation be if it ever came to birth on Palestinian soil? How far could it achieve the, for it, infinitely difficult unity of its physically scattered whole if the territorial base were provided for a portion?

Eleven years later the opportunity opened for a practical answer. By the beginning of 1917 the Allied Governments were becoming seriously interested in the proposals that the Zionists had been putting to them ever since Turkey entered the war. Everything depended, however, on the British attitude. In February Mr. Lloyd-George's Cabinet began the negotiations that culminated in the Balfour Declaration of November. The French and Italians concurred. The United States, not being at war with Turkey, could only do so informally, but this President Wilson did.

BACK TO PALESTINE.

Policies are not often adopted from a single motive, even by single governments, or in normal times. The working of all the forces that restored Jewish connection with Palestine after two thousand years may always remain one of the mysteries of human history. But I am certain that, as far as Lord Balfour was concerned, considerations of the immediate expediency of gaining Jewish support in America or elsewhere for the Allies had little or nothing to do with his advocacy of the National Home. "It never entered my head" I heard him say in 1926 when the question was raised in conversation. Nor do I think that the difficulties of introducing an immigrant population so different in standards and culture from the native Arabs were minimised. Balfour's own speeches to Jewish audiences prove as much. But his fears were outweighed by the belief that the Zionist settlers would be a good element in the backward country, morally as well as materially.

FORCE OF NATIONALISM.

Another consideration certainly counted. The problem of satisfying national aspirations in the Peace Settlements was already looming before the Allies in 1917. Ever since the conversation with Weizmann in 1906 he had believed that an alleviation of the Jewish question in Eastern Europe might be brought about by linking it with this. "I felt nationalism was a force we must reckon with," he said later, "and I tried to look at the whole problem as one, but, of course, each separate bit had its own characteristics, its special flavour."

Thinking thus, naturally Arab national feeling was not out of his mind. He considered that by liberating all the Arab lands from the grip of Turkey we had given it a broad foundation on which to build. In his conception of the proper administration of Palestine under the terms of the Mandate, he believed native development in that corner could have ample scope.

SOVIET'S NEW MAN-HUNT

STAGING "THE BIGGEST SABOTAGE TRIAL IN HISTORY."

2,000 TRAITOR ENGINEERS.

FANTASTIC STORY OF WORLD PLAN TO ANNIHILATE BOLSHEVISM.

In a remarkable dispatch printed below the SUNDAY TIMES Moscow correspondent describes the newest manœuvre of the Soviet authorities to explain away the industrial crisis in Russia to-day.

The Soviet claims to have discovered that "2,000 traitor engineers" have tried to wreck the Five-Year-Plan, and promises the "biggest sabotage trial in history."

Many of the ringleaders of the 2,000 so-called traitors have already been shot or sentenced to death. But the Soviet is determined to find more scapegoats for the failure of its much-advertised plan.

THE "BIG THREE" AND THEIR FATE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MOSCOW, Saturday.

The "biggest sabotage trial in history," and the discovery that 2,000 "traitor engineers" have tried to wreck the Five-Year Plan under the competent direction of a Central Committee of Fifty in Moscow with a secret "Big Three," are the official answer to the long-suffering but irritated proletariat why there is a crisis in industrial Russia, a crisis which is illustrated to-day by the fact that five of the chief foundries of the great Jugostal Trust have less than ten hours' coal in hand.

Two thousand high-placed traitors! But what was the Ogpu doing all this time? When, several years before the revolution, the Bolshevik Party's own small secret Central Committee met in Prague three Tsarist police spies were in their midst!

From his safe, comfortable villa in Sorrento, Maxim Gorki writes: "We have the right to consider ourselves in a state of civil war. If the enemy does not surrender, destroy him."

The Chief Man-hunter.

With delicious naiveté the official "Izvestia" declares:—"Our decision to hold the trial in public this time shows that the prosecution possesses weighty evidence. What weightier evidence can you want than the manuscript of confessions from accused Professors who have European reputations?"

What indeed? The little Chief Prosecutor, Krilenko, the toughest man-hunter in the whole history of revolutionary tribunals, who is taking the case himself, will surely prove more than a match for the eight worn Intellectuals who have been under interrogation for many months in a secret prison and alone. They will now be confronted with their own confessions obtained there.

Let there be no misunderstanding: Two thousand engineer saboteurs may make a good slogan, but they are not going to be tried publicly now, and no precise sabotage fact will be tried publicly now, although a sabotage trial is promised later. Many of the alleged ringleaders of these 2,000 have already been shot or sentenced to death. Most of the rest have already been dealt with privately by the Ogpu at various dates during the last two years, since the Donetz Basin case set the dangerous fashion for hunting the saboteur.

Chief Witness, Chief Accused.

Not even the alleged "Big Three" are available for public trial. The great mineralogist, Professor Palchinsky, the alleged founder of this alleged "Industrial Party," was shot by the Administration in 1928. Number two of this "Big Three," Krenikof, a strong man, "died during criminal investigation." Number three, an old Jew, Rabinovich, the Soviet Coal Controller, appointed and trusted for many years by Lenin (who also gave the Krilenko terrible trouble in the Donetz Basin trial, and got five years, secretly increased later to fifteen), will not be produced either nor will the fourth "big man," Feodorovich.

The official explanation is that "all the worst crimes have been committed since these last two were sentenced"—i.e., since the time that the 66-year-old Professor Ramzine, of the Moscow High Technical School—as he declares "under his own hand"—took over the leadership of the conspiracy, i.e., during a period of little more than one year. Ramzine is Krilenko's chief witness, as well as the chief accused.

Eighty-page Indictment.

Krilenko's eighty-page indictment makes a marvellous story. No single instance of sabotage is advanced, but merely the good old plots with wicked foreign statesmen, who, according to the ego-centric doctrine dear to Moscow, spend their entire lives with envious eyes glued to this happy land's keyhole.

To Ramzine's friends of the Russian Commercial Industrial Committee abroad all doors were open. M. Poincaré, Mr. Churchill, all the General Staff Chiefs gossiped like so many old charwomen. Colonel Lawrence had Ramzine and another conspirator in his room in the Savoy Hotel, London, and obligingly told them all about our Imperial General Staff's war plans.

All sorts of Russians were taken on trust, and initiated into a vast world-war plan to annihilate Bolshevism by the combined land forces of France, Poland, Rumania, Finland, Esthonia, and Latvia, and the combined navies of England and France.

Even the date chosen for this war is revealed. Thus is history made!

THE SHOT PRIME MINISTER.

LATEST BULLETIN.

TOKIO, Saturday.

The condition of the Prime Minister, Mr. Hamaguchi, who was shot on Friday morning, showed a slight rise of temperature this evening, and the patient was complaining of an oppressive feeling in the stomach. A bulletin issued at 10 p.m. made no comment, however, on the Prime Minister's general condition.

Subject to the Emperor's approval, the Cabinet has decided to appoint Baron Shidehara, Minister for Foreign Affairs, as Acting Prime Minister until Mr. Hamaguchi's recovery.—Reuter.

The Prime Minister (Mr. MacDonald) has, through the Foreign Office, sent the following personal message to Mr. Hamaguchi:—"I learn with profound regret of the dastardly attack on your person. Please accept this expression of my deep sympathy and my sincere wishes for your speedy recovery."

The Foreign Secretary has directed the Chargé d'Affaires at Tokio to inform the Japanese Government of the British Government's deep sympathy and earnest wishes for an early recovery.

THE PRINCE'S VISIT TO S. AMERICA.

PROGRESS OF PLANS.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Saturday.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs is now busy supervising arrangements for the Prince of Wales's visit here.

The time of the visit coincides with the holiday season, for though it will be spring in England, it will be autumn in this part of the world, and society will be at the seaside. It is quite likely that the Prince will stay in the new Presidential Palace near Valparaiso.—Reuter.

IMPROVING GERMAN TRADE.

OCTOBER ADVANCE.

BERLIN, Saturday.

Germany's exports in October totalled 1,073,000,000 marks (£53,650,000), and imports 833,600,000 marks (£41,680,000), compared with 1,001,000,000 marks (£50,050,000) and 736,500,000 marks (£36,825,000) in September, and 1,247,300,000 marks (£62,365,000) and 1,106,700,000 marks (£55,335,000) in October, 1929.—Reuter.

SMASH CUTS OFF TELEPHONE.

THREE OMNIBUSES COLLIDE.

The Sutton area of Southend was cut off by telephone as a result of three motor-omnibuses colliding on a greasy road late last night. A pole was brought down, and about twenty wires fell across the roads.

None of the passengers, although thrown in heaps in each of the buses, was seriosuly hurt.

A lorry, with five men, crashed into the parapet of a bridge at Loose, near Maidstone, Kent. yesterday. Some trees prevented it from dropping 50 ft. into a valley.

Five persons were injured when a motor-car, driven by Mr. Cornelius C. Smith, of Waleran Buildings, S.E., skidded and collided with a street refuge in Bayswater Road, near Porchester Terrace, last night. The car overturned and was badly damaged.

Frederick Richard Roberts, aged 34, of Addison Way, Norwood, was fatally injured as the result of a collision while cycling in Ickenham yesterday.

RELIEF WORKS.

£50,000,000 FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Analysis was made in a Ministry of Transport statement, yesterday, of the £100,000,000 expenditure authorised by the present Government on works to stimulate employment. The total is shown to be made up as follows:—

	Million £.
Improvement or reconstruction of classified roads and bridges (under the Trunk Road, Five Years, and Annual Programmes)	50
Improvement of unclassified roads (Unemployment Grants Committee)	6
Docks and Harbours	10
Underground and Metropolitan Railways (over)	11
Main Line Railway Companies ...	10
Canals (nearly)	1
Electricity (over)	12
	100

Of the £50,000,000 for highways, definite approval has been given to schemes involving £24,000,000. For the remainder, plans and details are still being worked out by the Highway Authorities concerned or are under final discussion with the Ministry.

DAME MARY SCHARLIEB.

It was stated last night that Dame Mary Scharlieb, the eminent doctor, who has been ill for some weeks, was "decidedly weaker."

THE COUNTESS OF OXFORD.

ATTACKED BY A STAG.

RICHMOND PARK INCIDENT.

It was disclosed yesterday to the SUNDAY TIMES that the Countess of Oxford and Asquith was recently attacked by one of the deer which she and her granddaughter were feeding in Richmond Park.

Lady Oxford was knocked into a gorse bush by the animal, but happily she escaped serious injury. She is still, however, bruised on the body where she was struck by the tip of the antlers.

For some time past Lady Oxford and her grand-daughter, Miss Priscilla Bibesco (daughter of Prince and Princess Antoine Bibesco), have been accustomed to feed the Richmond Park deer. The animals had become used to taking morsels of food from their hands.

On the occasion of their last visit some days ago a stag, without warning, came forward and, lowering his head, flung Lady Oxford backwards into the gorse. The animal was continuing to advance when Miss Bibesco called for help.

The chauffeur, who was waiting with their motor-car at no great distance, was attracted by the girl's cries, ran to the spot. The stag turned upon him as he approached and butted him. Then, however, apparently disliking a man as adversary, it slowly retreated to trot away with the other deer.

Lady Oxford, who was suffering from shock, was assisted by the chauffeur to the car, and they drove home. When questioned yesterday by a representative of the SUNDAY TIMES, Lady Oxford made light of her experience. She realises, however, that the incident might easily have been attended by much more serious consequences to herself and possibly to the little girl.

SALVATION ARMY PROPERTY.

TRUST COMPANY TO BE FORMED.

It was announced last night that the Conference of Commissioners of the Salvation Army, now in session in London, decided by a unanimous vote that the property and capital assets of the Army should no longer be under the control of a single trustee.

Without a dissentient a resolution was carried in favour of forming a trust company, limited by guarantee, to be registered under the Companies Act of 1929, to take over and hold all the real and personal property from time to time coming under the control of the General of the Salvation Army.

The Commissioners will resume their deliberations to-morrow.

GERMANY'S "POCKET BATTLESHIP."

LAUNCH NEXT YEAR.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

The new German armoured cruiser "A" (Ersatz Preussen), about the construction of which there has been so much controversy, will be launched at the end of May or the beginning of June next year, unless anything untoward happens.

Should this date be kept to, the first armoured cruiser built by the Republic will be put into commission in the autumn of 1932.

BANKS' DIFFICULTIES IN FRANCE.

QUESTION OF REOPENING.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

It is announced to-day that the John Munroe Bank, the oldest established American bank in Paris, which was compelled to suspend payment on Monday morning, may reopen, in spite of its difficulties.

According to an official of the bank, it will probably be possible to make a definite statement in the course of a few days. Meanwhile, the temporary receiver, who was appointed by the Tribunal de Commerce, M. Mauger, who is president of the Société des Liquidateurs, is examining the bank's books with the object of deciding whether a judicial receivership is warranted.

An examination is in progress which, if successful, will enable the bank to reopen, but it depends upon figures affecting the position of the bank, that are being sent from the New York establishment of John Munroe and Co. This, however, is a private concern.

Yesterday leading branches of the Banque Adam, including the Paris branch, reopened. There were no scenes. A communique has been issued by the Crédit du Rhône. of Lyon, stating that, with the assistance of the Crédit Lyonnaise, this bank will reopen on Tuesday morning.

Proposals for reorganising the Paris Kerb Market are reported on page 22, column 7.

FINANCES OF CHINA.

MR. SOONG'S POSSIBLE VISIT TO LONDON.

NANKING, Saturday.

A Government Committee is now considering the reorganisation of Chinese loans, together with representatives of foreign Powers.

When the Committee's labours are satisfactorily concluded, it is reported that the Finance Minister Mr. T. V. Soong, will probably resign so as to visit London and New York in order to negotiate further loans, in which case his brother-in-law, Dr. H. H. Kung, at present Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labour, may possibly take over the portfolio of finance.—Reuter.

FINLAND BANS SCHOOL POLITICS.

HELSINGFORS, Saturday.

The State Board of Education has issued a Decree forbidding school children to join political movements, especially those which criticise the Government. The Decree, it is stated, has been issued as the result of a demand put forward by senior pupils of the school in the village of Lapua that the pupils of other schools, including the girls, should join forces to support the Lapua movement in fighting Communism.—Reuter.

KING GEORGE HOSPITAL.

Prince George will preside at the foundation dinner of the King George Hospital, Ilford, which will be held in Carpenters' Hall on Thursday, December 4. The present accommodation of the hospital is seventy-four, and funds are needed to increase the number to 300, and maintain them. To complete the project £200,000 is necessary, of which £35,000 must be raised by next year.

MORE MILLIONS FOR UNEMPLOYED.

£10,000,000 DEMAND.

SIR JOHN SIMON AND LIBERALS.

CALL TO VOTE AGAINST GOVERNMENT.

It was announced yesterday that Parliamentary sanction is to be sought for authority to devote a further £10,500,000 to the Unemployment Insurance Fund. This is the principal aomunt in a Supplementary Estimate, which was issued for a total of £10,956,000.

The increasing numbers of workless persons are responsible for this need for further funds. They now number 2,263,127, which is 1,011,169 more than a year ago.

Sir John Simon, in a speech to his constituents yesterday, spoke of the Government's failure on unemployment and emphasised the need for National economy. He called for a more courageous attitude on the part of his fellow Liberals, declaring that they must no longer shrink from voting against measures they considered to be bad, even if this involved the defeat of the Government.

Calling for a more "downright" form of Liberalism, Sir John added:—

We shall, I believe, best serve our country if we do not spend too much of our time in tactical calculations, but take a bold stand, come what may, for the things in which we believe.

First and foremost among the matters on which a courageous stand should be taken, was that of economy.

"SHRINKING" HABIT.

Following are points from Sir John Simon's speech:

There are many things in which we do not see eye to eye with the Socialist Government—the proposal to reverse the Trades Disputes Act, for example.

The decision of the Liberals to support those Government measures of which they approve and to oppose the measures they believe to be bad seems, in recent months, to have undergone a subtle change.

We still support where we approve, but when we disapprove some of us constantly abstain, afraid of the grave results which might follow an adverse vote.

This shrinking from giving an adverse vote easily becomes a habit.

It may proceed from the highest motives, but it is not understood by the country or respected by the Government.

The Liberalism that I believe in is more downright and definite than that.

Mr. Lloyd George said that the Government had not enough vitamins. I think we Liberals ought to have more red corpuscles.

We shall, I believe, best serve our country if we do not spend too much of our time in tactical calculations, but take a bold stand come what may for the things in which we believe.

Some of my Liberal friends who do not altogether approve of my recent action hesitate to oppose the Government because they fear that if it were defeated now Protection would be encouraged.

If we are to consider tactics, are Free Traders sure that if this Labour Government blunders along in office for another year or two the ultimate defeat of Protection is made more certain?

"TURN THEM OUT."

Sir Robert Hutchison, who resigned from the position of Liberal Chief Whip, also addressed the meeting. If Liberalism was to do anything at all, he said, it must have courage. Liberals must act even against what might be called tactical considerations.

"We are now in danger," added Sir Robert, "of allowing this country, through some kind of chloroform, gradually to slip down the slope that becomes steeper as it goes on to a very difficult industrial situation. Now is the time for people to act, for those who have plans to carry them out.

"We of the Liberal Party have plans. If the Government will not accept them I would turn them out and take the consequences."

Sir John Simon's speech and details of the supplementary estimate in respect of unemployment appear on page 19.

ORPHAN BRIDE.

GIVEN AWAY BY M.P.

The bachelor M.P. for the Harwich Division, Mr. P. J. Pybus, took a prominent part in a wedding at Little Bromley, near Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, yesterday, when he gave away an orphan bride. The bridegroom, Mr. Oliver Everson, of Thorpe, had written to Mr. Pybus asking if he would consent to give away the bride, as she had no parents or relatives. Mr. Pybus consented, and arrived at the church with the bride in his car.

After the ceremony, the bride and bridegroom again used the car to drive to Thorpe for the reception.

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POLITICAL NOTES

PERSONAL FEUDS.

WHY LIBERALS HELP THE SOCIALISTS.

By OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

Day by day the Parliamentary difficulties of the Government are increasing. "What we ought to have," said a leading Ministerialist to me last week, "is a definite understanding with the Liberals in regard to our legislative programme on which we could work together for some time." At present, he argued, there is only a day-by-day, sometimes hour-by-hour, arrangement, which puts a big strain on the Whips and keeps the situation in continual uncertainty. A definite understanding is, however, a thing of which both sides are very shy. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is disinclined to it because he holds, not without reason, that the Liberals must rally to the support of the Government in any critical division in order to save their own skins; and Mr. Lloyd George is equally averse from any formal pact without assurance that an Electoral Reform Bill will be pressed through the House. In all probability the parties will remain as they are at present—bedfellows of circumstance rather than choice—and the legislative activity of the Government will, in consequence, be appreciably retarded.

There has rarely been a time when Disraeli's warning, "It is the unexpected which happens," is so likely to be justified. Labour's majority is less than thirty, and could be wiped out by the Liberals even if a baker's dozen of them went into the Ministerial Lobby. But what really may make the Government of longer life than most people anticipate is personal antagonism. One remembers the Merry Monarch's remark to his brother, "They will never kill me, Jamie, to make you King." And though the Liberal leader has no great love for Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, I am assured that, so far as the decision rests with him, he will never unship the present Prime Minister to put Mr. Baldwin in his place.

Palestine.

The Government are not feeling at all happy about the Palestine White Paper which is to be discussed in the Commons to-morrow evening, for its repercussions are awkward, and one of them may not improbably be the loss of the late Mr. Harry Gosling's seat in Whitechapel. At the last Cabinet meeting Lord Passfield came in for very sharp criticism of his action in the matter; and it was decided it could not be maintained. As a result a communiqué was issued from Downing Street that there had been a misunderstanding on the matter, and that the Government had invited representatives of the Jewish Agency to a conference. That will, presumably, be the line of the Government apologists to-morrow evening, and it is unlikely that the discussion will be prolonged to a late hour though the Opposition will only be satisfied by an undertaking on the part of the Government that it will under no circumstances alter the spirit or letter of the British promise in relation to Palestine and the commitments of the League of Nations mandate. Mr. Amery and Major Elliot are to lead for the Conservatives, and Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Herbert Samuel for the Liberals, who in this matter are less at variance than usual.

The Christmas Recess.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is feeling the strain of the Session. He seldom goes to bed before 2 o'clock, is often up at 7 o'clock, and, as other Prime Ministers, he finds it very difficult to sleep well at Chequers. Hence he is very anxious to curtail the Session and prolong the winter vacation to the utmost. The House will, therefore, rise probably about December 19, and not meet again until February 18 or 20.

The Imperial Conference.

As most experienced politicians foresaw, the Imperial Conference of 1930 has separated without result, and the Government must bear the brunt of the failure, for not only were they unprepared to put anything into the common pot, but they evidenced no sympathy with the imperialistic idea. Mr. Thomas, to be sure, is a good imperialist, and was at one time very confident that he could get something tangible out of the Conference, but he reckoned without the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who persistently blocked the way of any deal. Mr. Snowden is in this matter, as in others, the type of the old-fashioned Radical, who had no use for the "Colonies," and would have seen them cut the painter without dismay.

The Trade Disputes Bill.

One of the unwanted children of the Government is the Trade Disputes Bill, which speaking in their haste they promised should have the first intention of the new Session, and might be placed on the Statute Book before Christmas. Of that consummation there is obviously no possible probable shadow of a chance, and any attempt to force the measure through against the strong opposition to it means that practically nothing else can be done before Easter, and that the apple-cart may be irretrievably upset before the Budget is reached. In these circumstances feelers are being put out to ascertain if the trade unions will be content with a second reading of the Bill for the time being, leaving the real fight over the measure to a more convenient season. Probably the more moderate trade unionists, who have no great affection for the Bill, will raise no difficulty, but there will be many objectors, for the political funds of the unions are generally in low-water, and they are looking to the repeal of the contracting-in clause to raise the level.

The Dyestuffs Act.

Important woollen textile representatives, together with representatives of Lancashire cotton manufacture, have indicated that in their opinion the Dyestuffs Act should be allowed to lapse in January, when the ten years' period comes to an end. Beyond question the Act has enabled the industry to be soundly developed within the United Kingdom, which now produces the overwhelming bulk of the dyestuffs used; it has also led to the employment of large numbers of additional workers, and the rates of wages have been uniformly good. Unionists almost unanimously desire the Act to continue; Liberals generally wish its discontinuance; but Labour rank and file are probably more divided.

It is by no means certain that the textile case against continuance has been established; but, having regard to the present plight of the cotton industry, that factor may weigh more heavily with the Government than would otherwise be the case, and, taking all factors into account, it is probable that the legislation will go, in which case agreement may be reached with Continental dyestuffs interests There does not seem to be real ground for the suggestion that the British market would be flooded with competitive articles at prices which the British industry could not offer, since it is clear that prices have been substantially reduced, and that there has been no real abuse of the monopoly under that head.

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FRENCH AIRSHIP WRECKED.

CRASH AFTER SEARCH FOR DO.X.

PILOT'S RESOURCE SAVES CREW.

PARIS, Saturday.

The French naval airship V10, crashed early this morning twenty-five miles from Rochefort, and was completely destroyed. The airship had gone out to sea in an endeavour to sight the German Flying Boat, Do.X, and was returning to its base, flying low, when a serious escape of gas occurred, and she fell to earth.

There were two officers, Major Pithouze and Lieutenant Micheau, and six men on board, but only Major Pithouze was injured. He was badly cut about the legs.

It was last evening when the airship set out from the airship base at Rochefort in order to trace, if possible, the Do.X, which had not answered its wireless signals.

Coming back inland, after having failed to sight Do.X, a heavy loss of hydrogen occurred as the vessel was passing over Royan, which it just managed to clear. A mile further on an explosion occurred. Lieut. Micheau, the pilot, to whose remarkable presence of mind his comrades owe their lives, immediately shut off the engines, and everything possible was thrown overboard to delay the descent of the dirigible to earth. Nevertheless, the V10 struck the ground with such force as to become a tangled mass of metal and fabric.

The airship was of the semi-rigid type and was 200 ft. long.—Exchange.

DO.X REACHES BORDEAUX.

ATLANTIC WEATHER WARNING.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

After a night spent moored off the coast near La Rochelle, the giant German aeroplane Do.X arrived to-day in the River Gironde, and anchored about twenty miles from Bordeaux.

Dr. Dornier, who had landed at La Rochelle, was escorted aboard his craft at 10.45 this morning by the Prefect, who expressed his parting good wishes in German. Dr. Dornier replied in French.

An hour later the aeroplane, with only three of her twelve engines running, took off, passing over a British steamer which was entering the port. A French naval seaplane flew over the giant as she headed southward.

The Do.X will probably leave Bordeaux on Tuesday for Corunna.

There is a possibility that the Do.X will end her flight at the Azores, instead of making the Atlantic crossing that was originally planned. Weather forecasts for the route from the Azores to Bermuda are unfavourable, and it will be decided when the machine arrives at the Azores whether the flight will be continued westward or whether the Do.X will return to Germany.

Another giant German plane, the G38, arrived at Le Bourget from Bordeaux yesterday afternoon. It was so big that no hangar was big enough for it, and the machine was "berthed" for the night in the open. The number of passengers on the Bordeaux-Le Bourget flight, which was made in just over three hours, was eighteen. This machine, which will reach Dessau on Monday, has practically completed a tour of Europe.

DO.X'S LITTLE SISTER.

AMSTERDAM, Saturday.

The Do.S, a smaller edition of the giant Do.X, which is on its way to the aviation exhibition in Paris, has delayed its departure from Papendrecht owing to bad weather and the heavy traffic on the river Maas.—Reuter.

ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR IBN SAUD.

THE FUTURE OF ASSIR.

The transfer of the province of Assir has been the subject of correspondence between the King of Hedjaz and the Idris of Assir for some time, but it is only now that a long-standing difference has been finally settled. For some years Assir has been a protectorate under the King of Hedjaz, whose wise administration has given peace and prosperity to the people of the province.

The SUNDAY TIMES learns that the correspondence is in the nature of a Proclamation that the Idris now renounces all legislative power in the Province, which automatically comes under the sole rule of the King of Hedjaz and Nejd.

TENSE MADRID SITUATION.

A GENERAL STRIKE DECLARED.

VIOLENT SCENES.

LABOUR LEADERS AND GOVERNMENT.

MADRID, Saturday.

A tense situation prevails here to-night as the result of the declaration of a general strike, to last until Monday evening, as a protest against the action of the police yesterday in firing at the crowd during the funeral of the four men who lost their lives earlier in the week through the collapse of a ten-storey tenement in course of construction.

Two people were killed and forty-nine injured in the firing which took place when the demonstrators who were escorting the hearses to the cemetery yesterday tried to deviate from the authorised route.

After the funeral a mass meeting of demonstrators was held, and a demand was made for a general strike. To-day effect was given to the demand at the call of the Executive of the Labour Union. There was a ready response to the strike call, and early in the afternoon 40,000 workers were already reported to be out.

Drastic action was taken by workers against men who refused to obey the strike order. Flagstones were placed on the tramlines, and traffic is already disorganised. Taxicabs were early withdrawn from the streets, and very few vehicles were left to ply for hire.

CHILDREN MOLESTED.

Many shops remained closed, and some that did not, including big departmental stores, had their windows smashed. Stalls in the market place were overturned, and in some instances children going to school were molested.

A woman who was rather eccentrically dressed was nearly stripped by a mob.

Students, who are at all times at loggerheads with the Madrid authorities, early joined the strike, and, assisted by "midinettes," whom they took the trouble of calling out, paraded the streets, and helped to add to the confusion.

As the hours passed the situation became uglier. The police were kept busy trying to protect peaceful citizens, and numbers of minor battles took place, although only one case of injury had been reported up to this evening. Motor-cars, especially private cars, were singled out for attack, and doctors could get about only by affixing a big red cross on their radiators. Mail vans were able to move through the city, but only under strong military escort.

To-night there are no newspapers, and only two big newspapers, the "A.B.C." and "El Debate," are likely to appear to-morrow.

CABINET ASSEMBLES.

The Prime Minister, General Berengeur, has already been in consultation with the Captain-General of Madrid and with the police chiefs, and an emergency meeting of the Cabinet is being held to-night.

To-morrow all theatres, cinemas and cafés will be closed throughout the day. Many are already closed.

There is already considerable anxiety as to what will happen to-morrow when the two victims of yesterday's firing are buried. The occasion is sure to be turned into a mass demonstration.

Late this afternoon the workers employed in public services "came out" for twenty-four hours. They include the men in the gas, water, and electricity services. The bakers have already joined the strike, and the city is faced with the prospect of being breadless for at least twenty-four hours.

LABOUR MANIFESTO.

LATER.

The situation late to-night shows an improvement. This may in part be traced to the issue by the Labour leaders of a manifesto urging the strikers to refrain from any form of violence and to maintain complete discipline. The manifesto, coupled with the restraint which the police have shown throughout the day, has had a quitening effect, and the public service strikers appear to be relenting.

There has been so far no interruption in the essential services, and to-night the City is receiving supplies of electric light and gas. There was a threat earlier in the day to call out the railwaymen, but so far only the shopmen are out

Though the belief is now gaining ground that the strike will be kept within the limits o fa demonstration of protest against yesterday's firing, it is felt that the Labour leaders have at the back of their minds the intention of demonstrating their strength to the Government, and to that extent the movement may be said to have a political background.

According to present arrangements, the public services employees will resume work at five to-morrow afternoon, and the other strikers at five on Monday afternoon.—Reuter.

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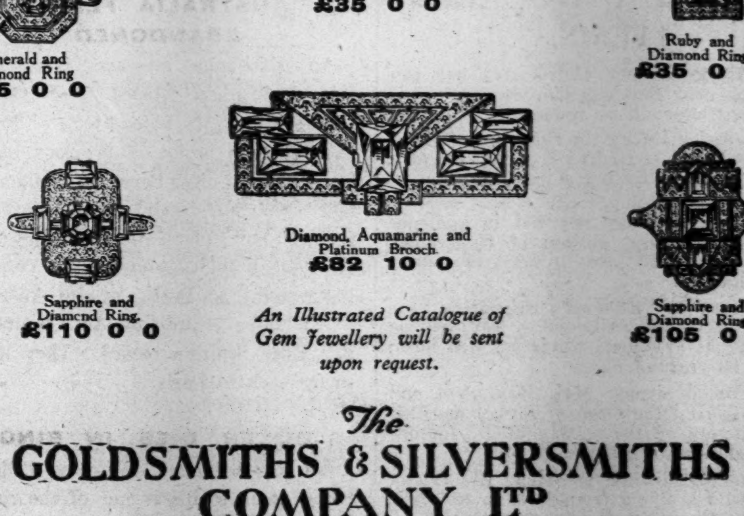

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"OVERSTEPPING THE OLD IDEAS."

HURLY-BURLY OF CONTROVERSY.

PEER FEARS LOSS OF CHIVALRY.

The Marquess of Zetland, distributing prizes to students of Crouch End High School and College at the Wigmore Hall, London, last night, said:—

"I may be somewhat old-fashioned, but I still look with some repugnance on women engaged in the hurly-burly of fierce controversy in the House of Commons.

"It seems to me that she must inevitably lose some of the tenderness of her sex as well as man losing some of his natural chivalry towards her.

"Surely there was a danger that some women would overstep the old ideas of seclusion in the modern ones of freedom. The best way to overcome that danger was to trust to the instinct of the woman herself and to take great care of her training at school.

APING THE MAN.

"If a girl goes out into the world and tries to ape the men too much, she is bound to lose something intangible and subtle which belongs naturally to her.

"I would say to every girl, 'By all means enjoy all the freedom which is good for you and train yourself to be a real companion of man in every sense of the word, but do not sacrifice that which is essential to your own nature.'"

Dr. Graham Little, M.P., said that he was delighted to see that Miss Cowdroy, the Principal, recognised that both the mental and physical make-up of boys and girls was different, and therefore required somewhat different education.

Reading from essays written by girls on "How to Deal with Unemployment," Dr. Little said: "Honestly, some of these views put forward by some of these girls are far more practical and sensible than those put forward in the House."

PRINCESS MARY'S ELDEST SON.

MUFFLER KNITTING AT SEVEN.

Viscount Lascelles, Princess Mary's elder son, who is seven years of age, has learned to knit.

A cosy little scarlet wool muffler, knitted by him, is one of the most interesting contributions to this year's collection of clothing made by Queen Mary's London Needlework Guild. It is his first contribution to the Guild, in which both his mother and grandmother take great interest

His muffler, over which he has spent many anxious hours, has been given a place of honour in the exhibition of this year's work of the Guild, which will open to-morrow at the Imperial Institute, South Kensington.

The clothing is collected annually, and is distributed by the Guild to various charities and hospitals.

This year, as in previous years, the Queen and Princess Mary, both of whom are Presidents of large groups in the Guild, have sent generous contributions. The Queen's gifts include several woollen cot-covers which she crocheted herself, and Princess Mary included in her contribution four jerseys of her own knitting. She also sent a dozen maternity outfits and a dozen babies' outfits.

Other Royal gifts included 260 garments from the King, and sixty from the Prince of Wales. The Duchess of York also sent a collection of clothing.

KING ALBERT AND HIS CABINET.

NO RESIGNATION.

BRUSSELS, Saturday.

King Albert has written to the Belgian Prime Minister confirming his reasons for not accepting the resignation of the Cabinet.

The King states that the matter which caused the crisis (the language question in education) had not been the subject either of a debate or a vote in Parliament, and it would create a dangerous precedent to resign.

The matter was not of first-class importance, and resignation would cause difficulties for the next holders of office. The crisis was not due to lack of confidence in the Government on the part of Parliament.

The King concluded by referring to the great services rendered to the country by the Premier, M. Jaspar.—Exchange.

MANCHESTER'S BIG CHESS WIN.

BIRMINGHAM OUTPLAYED.

The annual chess match between Manchester and Birmingham was played at Manchester yesterday. The Midland captain brought a team of twenty-one, headed by the well-known players H. E. Price and A. J. Mackenzie. The home team, which was exceptionally strong, included eighteen Lancashire and Cheshire county men.

Manchester scored first blood, the Rev. J. E. Riley starting at Board 18 a succession of wins, which resulted in the Northern team winning by 15 games to 5, with one left for adjudication.

Manchester has now won for four years in succession.

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN ITEMS.

The Greek steamer Heirocarras has run on a rock near the Magellan Straits. It is hoped that she will be refloated.

Sir Frederick Sykes, the Governor of Bombay Presidency, arrived at Karachi yesterday morning. He is making a ten days' tour of Sind.

The Pope yesterday received in audience Monsignor Vismara, Bishop of Hyderabad, and discussed with great interest the affairs of the diocese.

The death of Edmond Thiendièue, the French author and philosopher, has occurred at Gencayne (Vienne), where he was born. He was 93 years of age.

The French airmen MM. Bossoutrot and Rossi took off from Oran yesterday morning in an attempt on the world's record for distance and time in a closed circuit.

Weather permitting, the Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce, who is flying from London to Tokio, will leave Shanghai to-morrow morning on the last stage of her journey, with stops at Nanking, Tsinanfu and Seoul.

M. Litvinoff states that he attaches no importance to the anonymous threatening letter, written in Russian, which he received on Friday. The police surveillance for the Russian delegates at Geneva has been increased.

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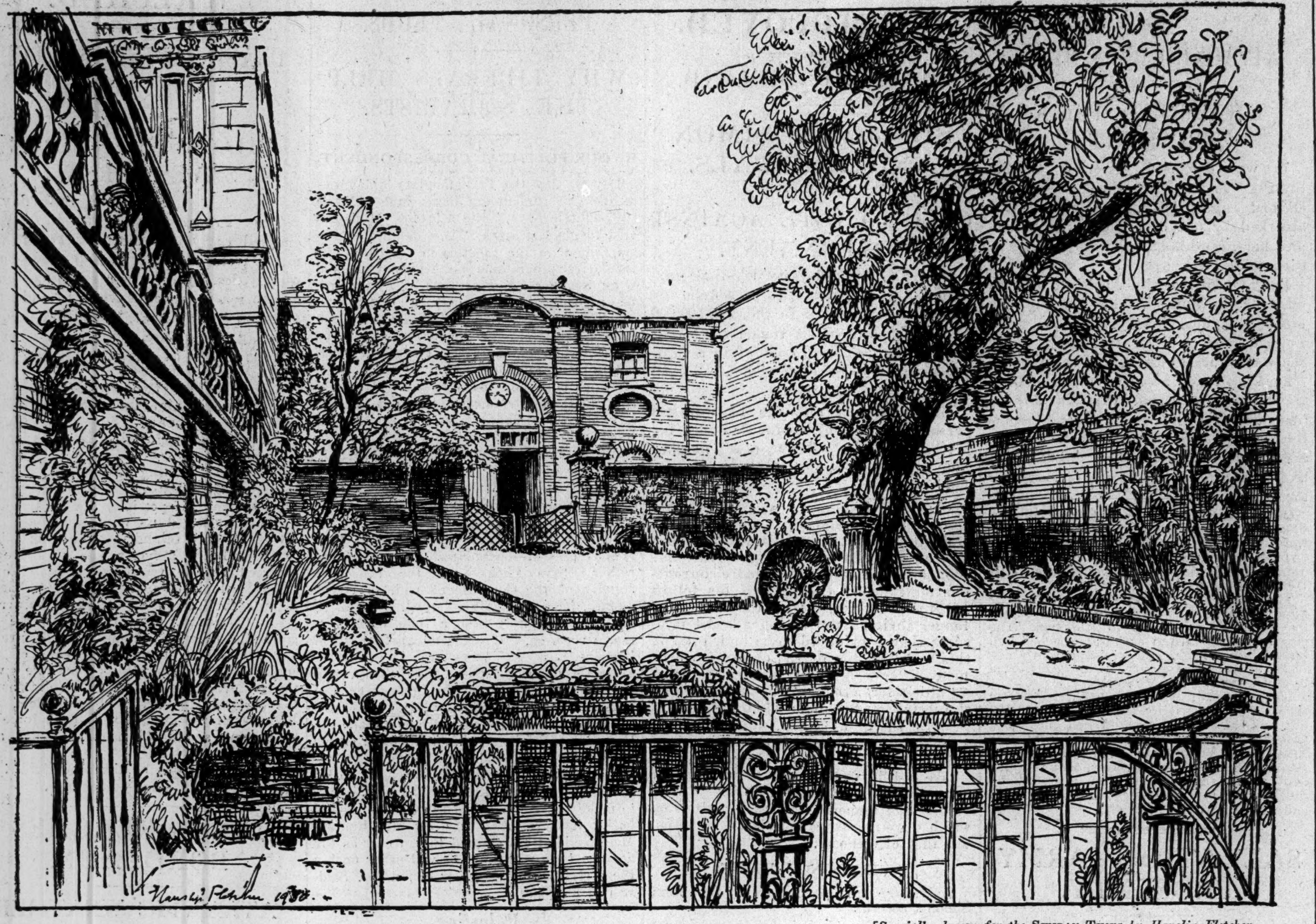
A GARDEN IN MAYFAIR.



[*Specially drawn for the* SUNDAY TIMES *by Hanslip Fletcher.*

This charming garden belongs to one of the few remaining private houses on the South side of Grosvenor Street. It is an Adam House and the attractive stabling at the end of the garden is of the period.

"RED" ESCAPES EXECUTION.

FLIGHT WITH BULLET IN HEAD.

DRAMATIC STORY.

VERSAILLES, Saturday.

Carti, the Italian Communist, who escaped "execution" at the hands of his colleagues in the mysterious villa at Sartrouville a fortnight ago, left hospital to-day and gave the examining magistrate a vivid account of his adventures.

He said that he first received a letter summoning him to a "meeting," and on arriving at the villa with another Italian found a third man who declared he was president of a "Special Commission" which would try him for treason.

When Carti denied the accusation, one of those present shot him in the head, but he had sufficient strength to jump out of the window and make good his escape. The two "executioners," who fled after Carti had escaped, are still at large.

After making this statement, Carti was released, and left the Court with the Russian woman whom he has declared his intention of marrying.—Reuter.

PERMANENT WAVE LAWSUIT.

WOMAN CLAIMS DAMAGES.

Loss, injury, and damage alleged to have been suffered by Mrs. Leslie Nelson, of Harley Street, Ibrox, Glasgow, at the hands of James Coutts, hairdresser, of Paisley Road, West Ibrox, as the result of alleged negligence, during treatment for permanent waving, are the grounds on which Mrs. Nelson is basing a suit for £80 damages.

Sheriff McDiarmid, having heard counsel, has fixed the hearing of evidence for a date in January, in Glasgow Sheriff Court.

Mrs. Nelson alleges that on July 17 Mr. Coutts and his wife gave her permanent wave treatment by a steam process, and that one of them negligently inflicted severe burning injuries on her head. She complained by screaming.

She declares that she has since been receiving medical attention, and has suffered serious disfigurement, a permanent scar, and the loss of her hair immediately above the forehead.

Mr. Coutts states that his wife examined Mrs. Nelson's head and found no signs of burnings or breaks in the skin. He contends that Mrs. Nelson made no complaint at the time, and was satisfied with the operation. He also pleads that in any case the sum claimed is excessive.

LATE NEWS

AUSTRALIA FLIGHT ABANDONED.

An Exchange message from Paris late last night stated that Captain Goulette and M. Lalouette, the French aviators who broke all previous records by flying from Paris to Saigon in five days and four hours, have announced by telephone that they have abandoned their intention to continue their flight to Port Darwin, Australia, in the hope of beating Air Commodore Kingsford Smith's record. They intend to fly back to Paris.

BOXER DIES IN RING.

A boxer named Mignon collapsed while going to his corner of the ring in a boxing match for the Novices' Championship at Brussels last night, and died on the spot. It was found (states Reuter) that he had ruptured an aneurism.

BLAZING CAR MYSTERY.

VICTIM'S CLOTHES OF WEST-END MAKE.

FRAGMENTS AS CLUES.

Detectives investigating the identity of the man whose charred body was found in the blazing car on the outskirts of Northampton on November 6 have now narrowed their inquiries to a handful of missing people.

From a few remnants of clothing found, one or two personal belongings, a broken tie-pin, a piece of a pair of braces, a black felt buckle, and a button, the police have been able to establish a vague description of the suit worn. A microscopic examination of the clothing has also established that the suit was probably made by a firm of West End tailors.

"We have been able to establish that the dead man was young and well-built," a police official stated yesterday. "The clothes point to the fact that the man was not of the working class. A tailoring expert has come to the conclusion that the fragments are of expensive material. Our great hope lies in someone who tailored the suit coming forward and supplying us with information. We know that the man was about 5 ft. 7 in. in height, that he had a tooth missing, and that his canine teeth were prominent."

ROUSE SEES SOLICITOR.

Alfred Arthur Rouse, the commercial traveller, of Buxted Road, Friern Barnet, who is charged with the wilful murder of a man unknown, will appear at the police court on remand on Tuesday. He had a long interview with his solicitor in Bedford Gaol yesterday.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury's report on his post-mortem examination of the remains found in the car is not expected by the Northampton County Police until to-day or to-morrow.

Police-superintendent Brumby, of Northampton, has succeeded in tracing the nurse for whom he caused inquiries to be made in London. Her statement however, throws no further light on the mystery.

PREMIER'S ATTACK ON FARMERS.

EMPHATIC PROTEST.

An emergency meeting of the Bucks Executive of the National Farmers' Union at Aylesbury yesterday, passed a resolution emphatically resenting certain statements by the Prime Minister, and supported by the Minister af Agriculture, regarding the "inefficiency of agriculturists as a whole, and of the National Farmers' Union in particular."

EARL HAIG'S BATMAN.

SERGT. SECRETT'S SEARCH FOR WORK.

The British Legion Employment Bureau, at 57, Palace Street, S.W., have on their register the batman to the late Field-Marshal Earl Haig. For twenty-five years he served Lord Haig, and he is now looking for a situation as a valet.

The batman is Sergeant T. Secrett, who was the Earl's personal servant for twenty-five years He left that employment shortly before Earl Haig's death, and since then he has had two situations. He has been without employment since October 28 last.

CONSERVATIVE CITY RALLY.

In order to meet the convenience of City men, the meeting which Mr. Neville Chamberlain is to address on Wednesday at the Cannon Street Hotel will begin at 2.15 p.m. Sir Harry Goschen will preside, and will be supported by the two members of Parliament for the City of London—Mr. Edward C. Grenfell and Sir T. Vansittart Bowater.

Among those who will be present are Lord Ebbisham, Lord Faringdon, Sir Guy Granet, General Sir Herbert A. Lawrence, Mr. Reginald McKenna, Sir Felix Schuster, and Mr. Vivian Hugh Smith.

PANDIT MOTILAL NEHRU ILL.

ALLAHABAD, Saturday.

The Pandit Motilal Nehru (who was recently released from prison on account of ill-health) stated to-day that he proposed to go to Calcutta on Monday to consult physicians, and intended, if they so advised him, to take a short sea trip in the direction of Singapore.—Reuter.

A PLAY OF 2,000 YEARS AGO.

"THE TOY CART" AT HAMMERSMITH.

MELODRAMA OF OLD INDIA.

By JAMES AGATE.

Sir Nigel Playfair has done it again, by dint of a plunge into the dark backward and whatever-it-is of Time—to the extent of some 2,000 years. "The Toy Cart," of which a good alternative title would be "The Babe in the Wood," is a version by Mr. Arthur Symons of an Indian play written about 122 A.D. by an Indian called Sudraka. It was produced last night at the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith.

Preliminary "literature" described the piece as "exciting and touching." Doubtless to a naïve audience it is both; this theatre's sophisticated audience was touched to smiles early on, and, in the play's later stages, excited to the wildest laughter. Those who came to pray remained to scoff, only sympathetically; and this in the theatre makes just as good business.

The way of it all was this. Before the curtain went up Mr. Reynolds and his band discoursed music more Brahmsian than Brahmin. Then two slaves in exiguous costume deposited saucers full of incense. Then a gentleman, alleged to be an Indian, but speaking in a perfect Oxford accent, said the play was about to begin. Then it began, the curtain drawing up to disclose a small boy dragging a toy cart exactly like the Nicholson picture of Ellen Terry on her first appearance in "The Winter's Tale."

THE UNCHANGING YEARS.

It appeared that a naughty little lady hated a wicked young Prince and loved a poor, honest, but elderly nobleman. So she gave all her jewels to the nobleman's child by his deceased wife, and flouted the Prince, who first strangled her in a public park and strewed the body with leaves, and then accused the elderly nobleman. After this there was a trial scene, which showed that the tutored Indian's notion of what was a good play two thousand years ago was singularly like our untutored English notions of to-day.

The nobleman was condemned to death, and in the nick of time the young woman appeared, for she had not been strangled after all! Anything more like Shaftesbury Avenue than old, or perhaps young, Sudraka I have never seen.

THE GOOD OLD WAY.

To a simple Indian audience this play must always have been effective, since it shows the honest poor scoring off the villainous rich in the good old melodramatic way, which is our compensation for the thing not happening in real life. The part of the popinjay villain is admirably written, and once the actors realised that the play was going to be a comic success there was no holding them.

Mr. Ronald Simpson scored a great success as a scoundrel W. S. Gilbert would have loved. Mr. Franklin Dyall kept a straight face throughout, and faced the snickersnees of the executioners with a fine gravity. Miss Madeleine Carroll made a pretty Colleen Bawn of the nicest little Geisha that ever strayed out of Japan, and Miss Margaret Yarde, as an old rip who would be equally at home on Margate, Polynesian, or Korean sands, enjoyed herself famously, as usual. A good evening with no dismal poetry about it and lots of fun.

U.S. INCOME TAX REFUNDS.

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

The Joint Committee on Internal Revenue and Taxation was to-day advised that the Treasury Department recommended the refund of the sum of 85,798 dollars (£17,160) to the Rotterdamsche Lloyd of Rotterdam, for over-assessment of taxes in 1917.—Reuter.

NAZI NEWSPAPERS SUPPRESSED.

BERLIN, Saturday.

The police president of Berlin to-day suppressed three more National-Socialist newspapers, which were glorifying the bomb outrages of 1928 and 1929 directed against Government buildings in the provinces of Hanover and Schleswig.—Reuter.

INJURED AIR PILOT'S RETURN.

BOULOGNE, Saturday.

Captain Flynn, pilot of the British air liner City of Washington, which crashed in fog near Neufchatel a fortnight ago with the loss of four lives, was removed from the nursing home here to-day in an ambulance, and taken on board the Channel steamer Maid of Orleans, which left at mid-day for Folkestone.—Reuter.

ANOTHER FALL AT LYONS.

RESCUERS RECOVER A BODY.

LIVE CAT FOUND IN RUINS.

PARIS, Saturday.

This afternoon the body of one of the firemen killed in the Lyons disaster was recovered. Others were seen deeper down among the debris. During the night a cat was found alive; when released it ran off.

Rescue work was carried on all through the night by the aid of searchlights. The rescuers have reached the first floor of the Petit Versailles Hotel and a large quantity of clothing has been found.

Early this morning a bugle rang out to warn the workers that there was danger of a further collapse. A few minutes later a wall at the top of the slope crashed down, bringing with it masses of wet earth. This fall was regarded by the geologists as significant, as it may render problematical the future safety of the area.

M. Herriot, the Mayor, questioned Prof. Alix, a local geologist, and it appears that the opinion of the scientists now is that the whole of the stone structure will have to be demolished if the area is to be rendered secure.—Central News.

A Reuter message says that the fireman whose body was found had died from asphyxiation. A large part of the ruins has now been removed by dint of uninterrupted labour.

POLITICAL INERTIA.

SIR OSWALD MOSLEY'S BID FOR ACTION.

Sir Oswald Mosley, speaking at High Wycombe last night, said that the agricultural industry should be given stability of price—its greatest need to-day. But behind any shelter provided there should be sound organisation.

In this country we had nothing like the organisation that other countries had. He instanced America's abattoir system. Those things had got to come here. The same argument applied to other industries.

Sir Oswald referred to "politicians who could not be moved to action." "When you have spent your whole life in words you cannot, later on, acquire the habit of action," he said

To struggle against this inertia, he believed that he and his colleagues could speak with an ever-increasing response to the masses of the country, and that before long they would provoke action and energy in those quarters where hitherto their appeals had been ignored.

Dealing with unemployment, Sir Oswald said that the Labour Government had done far more than any of its predecessors, but he and his colleagues held that it had not done nearly enough.

JURY'S SYMPATHY.

£1 NOTES FOR A MAN WHO ATTACKED SWEETHEART.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

There was a remarkable incident at the assizes here to-day on the conclusion of the trial of a man who was alleged to have cut the throat of his sweetheart while kissing her good-night.

After the jury had been discharged two members approached the chief warder and handed him a £1 note each, which they requested should be given to the man on his discharge from prison. They said they were very sorry for him.

The accused man was Fred Russell Littler, aged 41, a dock labourer. He was found guilty of causing grievous bodily harm to Elizabeth Gaffney, a widow, aged 35, of Garston, and also of attempting suicide, and was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment in the second division.

Mr. Justice Humphreys said he would undoubtedly have sent Littler to penal servitude but for the recommendation to mercy by the jury owing to the general misery of his life. He was separated from his wife and was in bad health.

FARMERS SEEK WAGE CUT.

Leicestershire farmers have given notice to terminate the present agreement with their farm labourers, under which they pay 34s. a week, and propose in future to pay 30s. The matter will come before the County Wages Committee shortly.

MR. CHURCHILL AS JOURNALIST.

GROWING POWER OF THE PRESS.

A FLEET STREET PREMIER.

It was announced last night at the annual dinner of the London District of the Institute of Journalists that Mr. Winston Churchill had agreed to enrol himself as a member of the organisation. Mr. Churchill was the chief guest at the dinner held at the Waldorf Hotel. He proposed the health of Mr. H. A. Gwynne, editor of the "Morning Post," whom the district were entertaining in recognition of his two years as president of the institute.

Mr. Churchill described Mr. Gwynne as, on the whole, the most consistent of journalists and editors. This tribute would be appreciated, "coming as it does from one of the most consistent of politicians" (laughter).

The growth of the power of the Press, Mr. Churchill remarked, was one of the most remarkable features of modern life. It had grown to such an extent that it might be said to be the only flourishing institution in the British Empire. The power of the Press had grown as the power of the platform of Parliament had decayed—decayed necessarily by reason of the great number of people now taking part in politics, and because of the slovenly manner in which they attended to their duties.

So far had the decay of Parliament proceeded, and so wonderfully had the Press advanced, that matters could not rest where they were.

FIRST PRIME MINISTER.

They must definitely contemplate investing the new estate not only with the power but with the responsibility of government. In that case Mr. Gwynne would be the obvious first Prime Minister. Mr. Gwynne was endowed with many virtues fitting him eminently for such a position. He might certainly be said to combine the qualities of two recent Prime Ministers—he possessed the Welsh brilliance of Mr. Lloyd George and he was as honest as Mr. Baldwin. (Loud laughter and cheers.)

Mr. Churchill, in a humorous vein, gave Mr. Gwynne some advice for his guidance in the event of his becoming the first Press Prime Minister. He must not get "cluttered up with the old gang"—(laughter)—for what we needed nowadays was youth—young blood and plenty of it. He would recommend Mr. Gwynne, when forming his Government, to adopt a policy of the free hand—an absolutely free hand to do or say anything, or to leave anything undone in any direction when he or any member of his Government, individually or collectively, might think fit—(laughter)—and, since there must be party discipline, he thought it most important that the free hand should be obligatory. (Laughter.)

Mr. Gwynne, responding, said that during his holding of the presidency of the Institute, he had striven to place journalism on the high place that was in the mind of those who founded the organisation.

The toast of "The London District" was given by Mr. W. C. Chillingworth (President-elect of the Institute), and was responded to by Mr. H. W. Buxton, who, as chairman of the District, presided.

Among those present were:—

Mrs. Churchill, Mrs. Gwynne, Mrs. Chillingworth, Sir George Armstrong, Mr. Sydney Dark, Sir Robert Donald, Sir Charles Igglesden (Past President of the Institute), and the Rev. Arthur Taylor.

CAUGHT BY ELECTRIC DRILL.

WORKMAN'S ORDEAL.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEWCASTLE, Saturday.

A fitter named Ernest Walton (37), employed at Messrs. Palmer's shipyard, Hebburn-on-Tyne, had a terrible experience to-day when he was caught and whirled round by an electric drill.

He was admitted to the Newcastle Infirmary with one foot wrenched off and with the other so badly injured that it was feared it would have to be amputated.

He was controlling the powerful drill when his arms were caught by it, and in a moment he was being spun rapidly round and round, his outflung legs hitting nearby projections.

When the machine was stopped, one foot had already been torn off.

DUCHESS SUED FOR SLANDER.

RACING OWNER'S CLAIM.

PARIS, Saturday.

Damages of £24,000 for slander are claimed against the Duke and Duchess of Talleyrand by M. Marc Guggenheim, the racehorse owner, in a case which will shortly come before the Paris Correctional Court, says "Le Journal."

The case arises from a bargain struck between M. Guggenheim and the Duchess while at dinner at Cannes. The Duchess agreed to take a half-share in M. Guggenheim's stables, and handed him £5,000 on account.

Later she charged M. Guggenheim with misrepresentation, alleging that he had persuaded her to sign an agreement against her better judgment, and in the absence of her husband, and, further, that M. Guggenheim had bribed a veterinary expert to certify the value of the stables.

The case against him having been dismissed, M. Guggenheim now claims the damages mentioned for slanderous laying of information.—Reuter.

A "DRY" SECRET.

THE 18th AMENDMENT TO STAND.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Although great secrecy still surrounds the conclusions of President Hoover's Law Enforcement Commission, it is authoritatively stated that the Commission definitely decided against the repeal of the 18th (Prohibition) Amendment.

It is understood that the report will be presented to President Hoover in January. It is denied that the Commission will recommend the introduction of beer with 4 per cent. alcoholic content or urge a national referendum on the Prohibition law.—Reuter.

SMASH AND GRAB RAIDS.

Two smash and grab raids were carried out in London early yesterday. About 2.30 a.m. four men in a car drove up to the tobacconist's shop of Mr. L. Levy in Malden Road, Kentish Town, smashed the window with a brick wrapped in cloth, took ten pounds' worth of cigarettes, and disappeared in the direction of Camden Town.

Just before 7 o'clock a window of Gamage's new store in Oxford Street was smashed with a brick and a fur coat valued at £10 taken.

BRIDGE TO BE REBUILT.

Hackney Borough Council propose to rebuild Marshgate Bridge, which carries Homerton Road over Hackney Cut, at a cost of £30,500.

ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE.

INDIA GOVERNMENT'S DISPATCH.

SIKHS' COMMENT.

PROPOSALS "ILLOGICAL AND UNJUST."

The sixth informal meeting of the British India Delegation to the Indian Round Table Conference was held at St. James's Palace yesterday as a preliminary to the opening of the Conference to-morrow.

The next meeting of the Delegation was fixed for Tuesday at 3 p.m.

The view that the Government of India's dispatch on reforms will cause little enthusiasm in India generally, and that it will certainly come as a great disappointment to the Sikhs has been expressed to Reuter by Sardar Sampuran Singh and Sardar Ujjal Singh, the two Sikh representatives to the Conference.

They point out that the Government of India admit that the Sikhs have constantly expressed dissatisfaction with the present representation in the Punjab Legislative Council, and have always claimed that they should have thirty per cent. of the total number of seats, or at least that their representation should be in proportion to their voting strength, and also that the Sikhs have made clear that they cannot submit to a system which places the Moslems in a permanent statutory majority in the Punjab over both Hindus and Sikhs combined.

"INVIDIOUS DISTINCTION."

Despite this admission, however, and the knowledge of the strength of the Sikh feeling in the matter, the Government of India have, they say, made proposals which affect the Sikhs more adversely than even the proposals of the Simon Commission, and the Sikh representatives expect strong indignation to be felt by the whole community. The invidious distinction, they declare, of treating the Moslem and European minorities in one way and the Sikhs in another—while admitting their historic, military, and economic importance—seems so illogical and unjust that no self-respecting and virile community like the Sikhs can submit to it.

INDIAN FRONTIER RAIDS.

NEW AFRIDI REQUEST.

NEW DELHI, Saturday.

In a communiqué on the recent Afridi troubles, the Foreign Political Department states that when called upon to explain the unprovoked attacks on Peshawar in June and August, the Jirga (tribal council) laid stress on a grievance entertained by the tribe over the recent Shiah-Sunni Settlement.

The Government, however, did not intervene in the Shiah-Sunni quarrel until many hundreds of Shiah and Orakzai refugees, destitute and homeless, had poured into British territory, and intervention was entirely peaceful. The Afridis themselves gladly accepted the settlement which was eventually reached.

The Chief Commissioner warned the Jirga of the Government's determination to protect the Borders, and explained the methods they had decided to adopt. In reply, the Jirga could give no security that the incursions would not be repeated.

Troops are therefore in occupation up to the western end of the Kajuri Plain.

On the return of the Jirga to Tirah, further tribal discussions ensued, as a result of which a letter has been received from the leading Maliks (Headmen) and elders asking for a further meeting with the Government. Their request has been granted, and November 17 has been fixed as the date on which discussions will be reopened.—Reuter.

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE.

IMPROVED POSITION IN GUJARAT.

BOMBAY, Saturday.

According to a Bombay Government communique, up to the end of October, 1,700 village officers and servants in Gujarat have withdrawn their resignations tendered in connection with the Civil Disobedience movement. This figure is a great advance over the position in July last when the withdrawals numbered 1,292.

The Police Commissioner, Mr. Wilson, has banned the processions and meetings declared unlawful, which the Bombay "war council" was organising for to-morrow in observance of "Jawaharlal Day," in response to the Pandit Motilal Nehru's recent appeal, after the conviction of Jawaharlal Nehru, enjoining a general the western end of the Kajuri Plain. country.—Reuter.

"LET INDIA FIND HER SOUL."

GAEKWAR'S PLEA.

At the reception given to the Round Table Conference delegates by the East India Association at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, yesterday the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda, replying to Lord Lamington's welcome, said that he was convinced they all were equally united in their determination to reach an agreement which would serve the best interests of India as a whole, and that he believed to be a sure guarantee of the ultimate success of the Conference.

In what did the safety and the greatness of the British Empire lie? Surely it was in that the people who constituted it were allowed freedom to develop according to their individual genius. "This freedom to develop is the urgent need of India and her earnest desire," he declared.

The whole fabric of India, political and economic, moral and social, called for reconstruction on a basis which would recall her ancient traditions and foster a manly spirit in her peoples and a greater sense of national solidarity. 'Let India at long last find her soul and take the place which is not only her privilege but her due as a self-governing unit in the British Commonwealth of nations, representing as she does one-fifth of the whole of the human race."

A "TREMENDOUS TASK."

Sir John Simon, speaking at Cleckheaton yesterday, referred to the proposals of the Viceroy and Government of India made for consideration at the Round Table Conference. He said: "In dealing with matters so varied and complex, the forming of mere general impressions is as useless as the reiteration of mere slogans. The work of framing a constitution under which one-fifth of the human race may live and move and have their being is a tremendous task, and we who have served on the Commission went through a long course of close and careful scrutiny and consultation before we found it possible to put forward proposals which, whether they be right or wrong, at any rate form a connected whole.

"One sentence from the Commission's Report might usefully be repeated now: it must not be assumed that you can substitute a different design and different materials for one part of our structure without raising the question whether what remains can stand unaffected."

Court Circular.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, Saturday.

The Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P. (Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs) had an audience of the King this morning.

The King and Queen, attended by the Lady Ampthill, the Lady Victoria Forester, the Hon. Sir Derek Keppel, Lieut.-Colonel Reginald Seymour, and Major the Hon. Alexander Hardinge, left the Palace for Sandringham.

The Lady Ampthill and the Lady Victoria Forester have succeeded the Dowager Countess of Minto and the Lady Cynthia Colville as Ladies-in-Waiting to the Queen.

The Duchess of York has intimated her intention to be present at an ice carnival which is being held on November 27 at the Ice Club, Westminster, in aid of the National Council of Girls' Clubs.

King Manoel of Portugal was 41 yesterday.

The Queen of Spain, accompanied by Princess Marie Louise, visited the Phœnix Theatre yesterday for the matinee of Noel Coward's "Private Lives."

The Duke and Duchess of Bedford will return to Woburn Abbey to-morrow from Scotland.

The Duke of Roxburghe has left 2, Carlton House Terrace for Floors Castle, Kelso.

The Marquess and Marchioness of Waterford will leave for Glenbride, Lord Waterford's Wicklow estate, on Tuesday.

The Marquess and Marchioness of Lansdowne will be in residence at Bowood Park until November 25.

The Countess of Cavan returned yesterday to 32, Prince's Gardens from Paris.

Mildred Countess of Gosford will return to London from Paris at the end of this week.

Lady Muriel Paget will leave London to-morrow for Soviet Russia.

Lady Eva Dugdale will return to 3, West Halkin Street this week from Wiltshire.

The Earl and Countess of Inchcape have arrived at Glenapp from London.

The Earl of Altamont has left 7, Upper Belgrave Street for Ireland, where he will remain until Christmas.

The Earl of Carrick was 57 yesterday, and Lord Danesfort 77, the Earl of Scarborough is 73 to-day, Viscount Southwell 58, and Lord Denman 56.

Viscount and Viscountess Cowdray will return to 54, Mount Street, to-morrow, from Cowdray Park, Midhurst.

Lord and Lady Doverdale will leave 10, Ennismore Gardens this week for Westwood Park, Droitwich.

Lord Trevor, Sir Watkyn Wynn, and Sir A. Firth are at Harrogate.

Sir Henry and Lady Fairfax-Lucy have a shooting party at Charlecote Park this week-end, among the guests being Sir Henry Betterton, M.P., and Lady Betterton, the Earl and Countess of Lanesborough, Sir Dennis Herbert, M.P., and Lady Herbert.

The birth of a son to Sir Horace and Lady Byatt, of Meesden Hall, Hertfordshire, is announced.

The Primate of All Ireland will officiate on December 22, in the Belfast Cathedral, at the christening of the infant grandchild of the Ulster Prime Minister and Viscountess Craigavon. The child, who is the son of Lieut.-Commander and the Hon. Mrs. Linzee, will receive the names Robert Alexander Craig.

WEDDINGS.

Dr. W. S. C. Copeman and Miss Helen Bourne.

St. Albans Cathedral was the scene of the wedding yesterday afternoon of Dr. W. S. C. Copeman, M.R.C.P., M.B., the son of Dr. and Mrs. S. Monckton Copeman, of 16, Prince Arthur Road, Hampstead, and Miss Helen Bourne, the daughter of the late Mr. W. W. Bourne and Mrs. Bourne, of Garston Manor, Watford, Herts. The Very Rev. the Dean of St. Albans officiated, together with the Rev. Canon Copeman, uncle of the bridegroom, and the Rev. C. V. R. Scott.

The bride was attired in a gown of parchment net with a gauged bodice and full skirt embroidered with pearls and diamanté. The train of parchment salome velvet outlined with velours diathane, was trimmed with a lovers' knot and edged with pearls. She wore a head-dress of pink pearls in a maidenhair fern design with clusters of orange-blossom and buds, and a veil of parchment coloured net. A floral muff of carnations was carried by the bride in place of a bouquet.

There were five bridesmaids, and Sir Richard Boord, cousin of the bridegroom, was best man.

Mr. G. E. Parker and Miss Kathleen Hewlett Johnson.

The Rev. W. G. Pennyman officiated yesterday at St. Mark's Church, North Audley Street, at the wedding of Mr. Geoffrey E Parker, F.R.C.S., son of the late Mr. Geoffrey Leslie Parker and of Mrs. Parker, of Sloane Gardens, and Miss Kathleen Hewlett Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, of Cheshire, and niece of the Dean of Manchester. The Dean of Manchester was unable to officiate, owing to indisposition.

Miss Johnson wore a gown of rich cream satin fashioned on mediæval lines. The close-fitting bodice had a cape effect at the shoulders, and the long-fitting sk[illegible] was ornamented with insertions of satin. Two long panels fell from the back of the skirt to form the train, and her long tulle veil was held with a cap of latticed diamanté with clusters of orange blossoms over her ears.

Miss Simonette Cooper-Willis and Miss Priscilla Hammersley headed the retinue of grown-up bridesmaids, who were Miss Audrey Johnson, Miss Mary Smalley, Miss Sheila Spiers Alexander, Miss Barbara Haydon, Miss May Waley, Miss Vera Green, Miss M. de Kelau, and Mrs. James Cresap Sprigg, jun.

Their frocks were fashioned of rose-red velvet with cream lace vests, collars and sleeves to the fitting bodices and full-gathered skirts which fell to the ground. Hats of velvet with a small ostrich feather poised at one side completed their toilettes.

Mr. Leslie Parker accompanied his brother as best man, and after the ceremony a reception was held at Claridge's Hotel. The guests present included:—

Prince and Princess Nicholas Galitzine, Mary Countess of Clancarty and the Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench, the Hon. Lady Henniker Heaton, Lady Macassey and Miss Macassey, Sir Harold and Lady Elverston, Grace Lady Harris, Lady Scotter, Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Mrs. G. L. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson and Miss Johnson, Mrs. Hyde Johnson and Miss Johnson.

FUNERAL.

Major G. N. Vivian.

The funeral of Major Guy Noel Vivian, O.B.E., will take place to-morrow at Bawdsey Parish Church at 2.30 p.m. Cars will meet the train leaving Liverpool Street at 10.3 a.m., and arriving Woodbridge at 12.41 p.m. A memorial service will also be held to-morrow at noon at the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks.

Obituary.

ADMIRAL ALDRICH.

NEARLY 50 YEARS IN THE NAVY.

EXPLORATION WORK IN POLAR REGIONS.

The death is announced of Admiral Pelham Aldrich, of Great Bealings, Suffolk, an officer who had a long career in the Navy. He was in the Service for forty-nine years, rising to be Admiral-Superintendent of Portsmouth Dockyard. He was in his 86th year. He leaves a widow, who was a daughter of the late Mr. W. Isaacson, of Huntingdon.

As a young naval officer Pelham Aldrich was engaged in exploration work. On the fitting out of the Challenger surveying expedition under Sir George Nares in 1872 Aldrich became first lieutenant. He received a similar appointment in the sloop Alert for duty in the Arctic expedition of 1875-76. For his Arctic services he was promoted to commander on November 3, 1876, and in the following July took command of the Sylvia, employed on surveying duties in China. He was appointed in 1881 to command the Fawn sloop on surveying service in the Red Sea, and after her return home in 1883 he was advanced to captain. He was in April, 1884, reappointed to his former ship, the Sylvia, for a surveying expedition to the Cape of Good Hope, and following this he commanded other surveying ships.

On September 1, 1899, he became Admiral-Superintendent of Portsmouth Dockyard, and held this post for the customary three years. One of his duties was to attend the departure of the Royal coffin from Gosport at the funeral of Queen Victoria on February 1, 1901. On the occasion of the coronation of King Edward he was appointed C.V.O. He became a vice-admiral in 1903, and an admiral in 1907.

LADY HAWTREY.

WIDOW OF WELL-KNOWN ACTOR.

The death occurred at her home in London on Friday night of Lady Hawtrey, widow of Sir Charles Hawtrey, the actor-manager, who died in 1923.

Lady Hawtrey was the daughter of the Rev. Professor W. R. Clark. In 1883 she married the Hon. Albert Henry Petre, son of the eleventh Lord Petre, who died in 1917. She married Sir Charles Hawtrey two years later, when Sir Charles was 65.

Lady Hawtrey, who was one of the contemporaries of Mrs. Langtry, for long enjoyed the friendship of King Edward. She was a woman of wonderful vitality, and only four years ago she won a dancing competition at Monte Carlo. Golf was also one of her hobbies.

Lady Hawtrey was an excellent judge of art, and her opinion was held in respect by artists, many of whom were among her friends. The house in which she lived in Hertford Street was designed by one of the Adam brothers, who afterwards lived in it for some time.

MR. EMILE GARCKE.

Mr. Emile Garcke, president of the British Electrical Federation, of Ditton Meads, Berkshire, has died at the age of 74. Mr. Garcke had been prominently associated with the electrical industry for nearly half a century.

He was born in Germany, and came to England when a youth. He became chairman of the Brush Electrical Engineering Co., Ltd., of Loughborough, and for twenty years he was chairman of the North Metropolitan Electric Supply Company.

THE REV. J. H. RIDER.

The Rev. James Herbert Rider, of Newquay, chairman of the Cornwall Wesleyan District, collapsed suddenly while presiding over a meeting at Truro of the Wesleyan Church. He died in the Royal Cornwall Infirmary.

MR. TUDOR DAVIES.

Mr. Tudor Davies, J.P., of Trewern, Dowlais, died yesterday, aged 59, after a long illness. He was for ten years mining engineer to the firm of Guest, Keen, and Nettlefolds, at Dowlais, and occupied responsible positions on local public bodies.

CANON BAKER.

Canon W. W. C. Baker, of Southill (Bedfordshire) died yesterday at the age of 70. He was a pioneer worker on behalf of the Balfour Education Act. An enthusiastic cyclist, he cycled for many years from Dunstable to Bedford and back, a distance of forty miles, in order to attend education meetings.

EVENING DRESS AT CHRISTENING.

EARL'S GREAT-GRANDSON.

An evening christening, with parents and sponsors in evening dress, took place at St. Jude's Church, Southsea, last evening, when the infant son of Lieut. Michael John Rance de Courcy, R.N., H.M.S. Submarine Proteus, and Mrs. de Courcy, of Albany Road, Southsea, was baptised.

The infant is a great grandson of Lord Kingsale, and was given the names of Michael Charles Cameron Claremont Constantine. He is the seventh Michael in the direct line, and his great-grandfather, by hereditary right, has the privilege of keeping his head covered in the presence of the King.

It is on record that an illustrious predecessor, Sir John de Courcy, in a dispute between England and France over the Duchy of Normandy, in the twelfth century, undertook to represent England in single combat against a French representative. In the fight the latter fled, and the King offered Sir John de Courcy anything in his power as a gift. Sir John's only request, however, was that his successors should be allowed to remain covered in the presence of future kings of England. This was granted.

"POPLARISING HYDE PARK."

When Mr. George Lansbury, M.P., opened at Edmonton, yesterday, a "Lido Bazaar," at which the stalls were built to represent bathing-huts and the women helpers wore bathing-cloaks, he said: "I am pleased to have been the means of popularising, if not Poplarising, Hyde Park and Kensington."

"LLOYD'S" NEW CHAIRMAN.

Mr. Neville Dixey, who is to succeed Mr. Percy Hargreaves as chairman of Lloyd's in the New Year, is creating a record by his rapid rise to the head of this great organisation. He has been a member of the committee for only three years, although his connection with Lloyd's covers twenty-five years.

GOLD COINS FOR A HOSPITAL.

An elderly woman yesterday handed to an official of Westminster Hospital fourteen half-sovereigns, which she had saved for the hospital funds. She would not give her name or address. Earlier this year she brought four sovereigns as a gift on hospital pound day.

The charge for Society Announcements on this page is one guinea for three lines or less and 5s. for each line after. A line contains about seven words. All announcements are subject to editorial approval, and should be addressed to the Social Editor, "Sunday Times," 135, Fleet Street, E.C.4.

ANTWERP AND GALLIPOLI.

MR. CHURCHILL'S DEFENCE

THE TRIBUTE OF THE HISTORIAN.

War-time memories of the Crystal Palace as a Naval training centre were revived yesterday, when hundreds of ex-Naval men who passed through H.M.S. Crystal Palace during the war attended the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve re-union.

The proceedings opened with a memorial service at which the dead were remembered during Two Minutes' Silence.

Later Commodore Sir Richard H. Williams-Buckley, who commanded H.M.S. Crystal Palace, opened an exhibition containing 500 war trophies of the R.N.V.R.

Addressing the gathering later in the day, Mr. Winston Churchill said that he had always felt touched over the fact that the officers and men of the R.N.V.R. had owed him no grudge—(laughter)—for the part he played in shaping their fortunes.

As time passed men's judgment altered and matters were considered in their true proportion and perspective, and he was not at all afraid when he heard the names Antwerp and Gallipoli mentioned.

"If you read the official British Military History of the War, prepared by highly competent and impartial officers," he said, "you will see it stated that the prolongation of the resistance of Antwerp, while it did not save that city from capture, had given the necessary time for the British Army to deploy before Ypres, and this saved the Channel ports from speedy capture at the beginning of the war.

FEWER CRITICS.

The Royal Naval Division were sent to Antwerp because there was no one else to go, and their presence there was indispensable for the prolongation of the resistance of that fortress.

"More sombre," continued Mr. Churchill, "are the reflections upon Gallipoli. Now that we can survey both operations in the retrospect, the number of persons who regarded the enterprise of the Dardanelles as an error and a blunder are seen to be getting steadily fewer.

"In fact, now only very ignorant or very prejudiced persons, or persons who were guilty some way or another of hampering or obstructing those operations, argue that the forcing of the Straits of Dardanelles was not the right strategic action in 1915, and the only way by which the horrors of the prolonged struggle on the Western Front and throughout the combatant world could have been avoided.

EMPIRE "MISHANDLED."

Proposing the Royal Naval Division at the luncheon at which Earl Howe presided, General Sir Ian Hamilton said that in no history of the war had he seen any real effort made to deal with the alarming fact that our Empire was so mishandled by its statesmen that—at the very last moment—it had to fling itself, militarily speaking, blindfolded into the melee.

Although Greater Britain was the mightiest of the Powers involved, that—given the friendly neutrality of the U.S.A.—she could have fought the whole of Europe single-handed and beaten it, she had no say in the conduct of the war, a fault entirely our own.

"Everyone held a different view on August 5, 1914," he continued. "All that was fixed, or indeed could be fixed, was that we must do as we were told and play a very subordinate part—we, the proud British Empire—in a French plan for the exact nature of which we had to wait until next day, when a junior French officer was coming over to explain to us what we had to do."

Earl Howe, replying, said that the Antwerp Expedition, made by the Howe Battalion, had an almost vital part. They were in the nature of a live bait, and delayed the German Army Corps for about ten days. Had that corps been free it might have taken each of the Channel ports and turned each into a Zeebrugge.

Sir E. Hilton Young also replied.

A ROMAN FORT.

NEW EXCAVATIONS NEAR HADRIAN'S WALL.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEWCASTLE, Saturday.

Shafts are to be sunk in the vicinity of the castle keep at Newcastle in an endeavour to locate the ancient Roman fort erected more than 2,000 years ago.

This work will follow as a sequel to the excavations which last year revealed a long stretch of the line of Hadrian's wall within the city boundaries. There were then revealed the remains of an important Roman building that probably stood within the Roman fort.

Discovery of the site of the fort has been made the more difficult by the fact that it was probably built on by the Normans when the castle was constructed. Work will probably begin on land near the black gate, and it is hoped by Col. G. R. B. Spain, hon. secretary of the North of England Excavation Committee, that the first shaft may be sunk next year.

THE SICK LIST.

LADY MARY GROSVENOR'S PROGRESS.

Lady Mary Grosvenor, younger daughter of the Duke of Westminster, who was operated on for appendicitis in a Southampton nursing home on Wednesday, was reported last night to be going on very well.

Last night's reports on the condition of other invalids were:—

General Sir Desmond O'Callaghan (injured in bus accident): Progressing favourably.

Sir Maurice Anderson, hon. physician to the Princess Royal: Steady but slow progress.

Sir John Lavery: Good progress.

The Dean of Westminster (Dr. Foxley Norris): Progress satisfactory

Miss Marjorie Maxse, Deputy Principal Agent of the Conservative Party (injured in motor accident): Condition satisfactory.

Miss Phyllis Dare: Satisfactory progress.

ROYAL RIDERS TO HOUNDS.

The Duke of York yesterday hunted with the Pytchley from Sibbertoft, and Princess Mary Countess of Harewood was out with the Bramham Moor hounds at Towton, near Tadcaster.

The Infanta Beatrice and the Infanta Maria Christina of Spain hunted with the Cottesmore from Beaumont Chase.

BARKER'S DIAMOND JUBILEE.

To-morrow afternoon, at Barkers, Kensington High Street, in celebration of the diamond jubilee of the firm, a fashion parade will be given in the Display Hall on the fourth floor. A review of fashion from 1870 to 1930 will be given, and will be continued daily.

For the occasion £250,000 has been spent on merchandise. A special feature will be made of British goods. In many instances drapery prices will be back to pre-war level, and in some cases even less.

THE PRINCE'S GIFT OF TONGUES.

HIS RAPID PROGRESS IN SPANISH.

"NEVER FORGETS."

The Prince of Wales has made as much progress in his Spanish studies during the past three weeks as the average university student does in his first two terms, according to Dr. Antonio Pastor, Cervantes Professor of Spanish at London University. Dr. Pastor is giving the Prince friendly advice on the language and Spanish matters generally in view of the Royal visit to the Argentine early next year.

Dr. Pastor, who is again going down to Fort Belvedere, the Prince's country home, this week-end, attributes this rapid progress largely to the Prince's extraordinary aptitude for concentration, his patience and his interest in the language.

"If he comes up against a difficult point," Dr. Pastor said in an interview, "he will spend an hour or more mastering the trouble, and once he has discovered where a mistake has been made he never forgets. The Prince's accent is very good, and if he continues with his study I believe he will speak better Spanish than he does French. His Royal Highness, of course, can speak German also, and possesses more than a few words of Hindustani."

While with his tutor the Prince will speak no word of English. "Even on the several trips we have made together in his aeroplane," said Dr. Pastor, "His Royal Highness always spoke in Spanish, or, if that did not convey his meaning, he would break off into French On Wednesday night, at the dance at the Spanish Embassy for the Queen of Spain and the two Infantas, the Prince again insisted on speaking Spanish all the time, and he came out of this test with flying colours."

A BIG BEQUEST FOR CHARITY.

WOMAN'S £1,000 GIFT TO MAID.

Leaving £103,394, with net personalty £103,308, Mr. Henry William Marshall, a stockbroker, of Sheen Road, Richmond, made considerable gifts to charity and to employees. Bequests included:—

£1,550 Local Loan Stock to the Royal Hospital, Richmond, to endow a bed.

£1,000 Japanese Bonds to Arthur James Leach, formerly in his employ, and

The remainder of his Japanese Bonds to James Frederick Bennett, formerly in his employ.

He made several other personal bequests and left the residue of his property to his wife for life, and then:

One-half to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London,

One-fourth to the Corporation of the City towards a fund founded by him for distribution among the poor boxes of the City Police Courts and those in the Metropolitan area, and

One-fourth to Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

A bequest of £1,000 to her maid Frances Shaw "in recognition of her loving service for many years" is contained in the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Alleyne, of Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells, who left £5,185, with net personalty £4,854.

OTHER WILLS.

	GROSS VALUE.
ROBERT HENZELL, of West Hills, Rothbury, Northumberland, oil merchant, former President of the Rugby Union and of the Northumberland Rugby Union, and in his younger days playing for the county (net personalty £145,754)	£150,912
FITZ HENRY AUGUSTUS SMITH, of Desborough, Devizes (net personalty £80,569)	£83,602
FRANCIS FREDERIC NICHOLSON, of Willoughton Manor, Willoughton, Lincs., farmer, a keen follower of the Burton Hounds (net personalty £25,426)	£32,292
DAME ARABELLA ELIZABETH WOLFE SUTHERLAND, of Upper Brook Street, daughter of Lieut.-General Sir James Wolfe Murray (Chief of the General Staff in 1914), and wife of Sir George Henry Sutherland (unsettled estate) (net personalty £2,512)	£3,456
THE RT. REV. MONSIGNOR JOHN HAGAN, D.D., of the Irish College, Rome, Rector of the College, and formerly a curate in Dublin, whose work on "Insula Sanctorum" is regarded as a standard work (personal property in England and the Irish Free State)	£2,780

FAIRS ON THE HEATH.

HAMPSTEAD PROTEST TURNED DOWN.

A fair will be held on Hampstead Heath on Good Friday, the Saturday immediately following, and on Easter Monday. The Parks and Open Spaces Committee of the L.C.C. have had the question under consideration in connection with a petition signed by about 1,600 residents in the vicinity of the Heath, who asked that the fair should not be allowed on Good Friday.

On the other hand, the Committee had a petition signed by 12,000 "residents and ratepayers of Hampstead and regular visitors to Hampstead Heath," asking that the fair be continued on Good Friday. In addition, the Hampstead Chamber of Commerce forwarded a resolution strongly protesting against the discontinuance of the fair on Good Friday.

The Committee report that fairs have been held on Good Friday and Band Holidays for between 40 and 50 years. In 1922, at the request of the Showmen's Guild, the fair was permitted to open on the Saturdays preceding Whit-Monday and August Bank Holiday. In October, 1929, however, following a petition from residents, permission to open on the Tuesdays was withdrawn. Observation last Good Friday showed that there was no rowdy or unseemly incident, and that the noise—inevitable to a fair—was certainly not greater on Good Friday than on Easter Monday.

The Committee add: "On full consideration of all the circumstances we have not seen our way to make any departure from the practice which has obtained for over 40 years."

HEALTH MINISTER'S SECRETARY

The Minister of Health, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, has appointed Mr. W. H. Howes to be his assistant private secretary. The Secretary to the Ministry of Health, Sir Arthur Robinson, has appointed Miss E. M. R. Russell Smith to be his private secretary.

LORD HORNE MEMORIAL.

The marble pavement in St. George's Royal Garrison Church, Woolwich, placed in memory of Lord Horne, will be unveiled and dedicated on Friday, at 3.15 p.m. Field-Marshal the Viscount Plumer will unveil the memorial, which will be dedicated by the Chaplain-General to the Forces.

WATERMAN-VOCALIST.

The name of Stuart Harding, who is making his first appearance in revue (after a short spell of grand opera) in "Follow a Star" at the Winter Garden Theatre, hides the identity of William Arthur Harding East, D.S.M., a member of the small company of King's Watermen. His uncle is the King's Bargeman.

"Had it been my turn on the rota," he said yesterday, "I should have had to get released from my matinée performance to carry the Mace at the recent Opening of Parliament; and, should the King decide to go on the river on any matinée day during the run of this piece, I shall have to do the same—to help man the Royal Barge!

"If the management were annoyed at having to do with a singer less, I might be able to placate them with the offer of one of the free rows, anywhere on the Thames, to which King's Watermen are entitled!"

WINTER ON THE WAY.

TEMPERATURE'S STEADY DROP.

HEAVY SNOW IN THE HIGHLANDS.

ENGLAND.—Wind northerly, moderate or fresh; variable cloud amount; probably showers, rather cold; night frost.

WALES.—Wind northerly, perhaps veering, fresh at times; brighter intervals; showers with sleet or snow locally; cold; perhaps night frost.

IRELAND.—Wind north or north-east, fresh at times; bright intervals and showers; perhaps further rain later; rather cold.

ENGLISH CHANNEL.—Wind north-west or north, fresh; showers; brighter intervals; sea rather rough or moderate.

AIR PASSAGES.—Winds N.W. to N., squally, 15-20 m.p.h. at surface. 20-30 m.p.h. at 2,000 feet. Variable skies, showers. Visibility 8-12 miles.

BY OUR METEOROLOGICAL EXPERT.

The southward retreat of an unusually powerful anti-cyclone, which had kept the southern half of Britain under its protection throughout the week, was followed yesterday by a general change to unsettled weather, which affected Scotland and Northern England early in the day and Southern England by afternoon.

The air supply on the northern side of the belt had originated with a few hundred miles of the North Pole, so that districts beyond the Tweed were suddenly plunged into winter. Snow fell heavily in the Highlands and sleet elsewhere, while temperature dropped steadily, the 1 p.m. reading in the Shetlands being only 1 deg. above freezing point.

STILL ABOVE NORMAL.

As the day advanced the Polar air spread slowly southwards across England, but up to nightfall it had not reached the southern counties. In this region humid winds continued to blow from the warm area of the Atlantic between Portugal and the Azores, with the result that conditions remained abnormally mild. At 1 p.m. the thermometer at Kew marked 56 deg.—8½ deg. above the ordinary level for this time of the year. Towards 5.30 p.m. the advent of the Polar wind was signalled by a fall of 6 deg. within fifteen minutes.

An extension of the cold Arctic air to all parts of the country is anticipated for to-day, and local snow or sleet showers seem likely to come as far south as the English Midlands. A large anti-cyclone is developing over Greenland and Iceland, and, should this persist, even the extreme south of England may have a foretaste of winter within the next day or two.

November so far has been unusually fine in the South and East; in fifteen days Kew has had only four hours less than the normal amount of sunshine for the entire month. This is in strong contrast to the November of last year, which was, with one exception, the wettest on record.

HOUSING PROBLEM AT THE ZOO.

APES ENJOY THE FUN.

By OUR ZOO CORRESPONDENT.

The latest arrival at the Zoo is a Temminck's cat, a rare and valuable member of the feline tribe seldom seen in the menagerie. This creature is the black variety of the golden cat of Sumatra and might, therefore, at a casual glance be mistaken for a black leopard, for though built of slender lines he is muscular and powerful. He is a medium-sized cat and looks even more handsome than his golden-brown relative, since his coat has a rich, velvety appearance. His temper, however, is bad, and, like the golden cat exhibited in the Gardens, he snarls viciously if approached and has every intention of carrying out his threats. Apparently he fears nothing and is game to attack any enemy.

Strange friendships have again become the fashion in the Gardens, and two amusing examples are now to be seen in the North Mammal House. One case is a friendship between a young silvery gibbon ape and a collection of tree kangaroos. The ape was placed in the same den as the kangaroos partly because he needed companionship and partly because the housing problem is rather acute at the Zoo just now, but the arrangement was not expected to be a great success. The tree kangaroos, however, welcomed the gibbon with enthusiasm, while the latter was at once impressed by the possibilities offered by his companions' tails, and the result is that the ape spends most of his time swinging on the kangaroos' tails. Far from being annoyed by his familiarity the tree kangaroos seem to enjoy the game, and the den occupied by these creatures has become a happy playground.

Gibbon apes also feature in the second friendship, but this time their partners are a number of prairie marmots. The marmots were introduced into the gibbons' home as there was no room for them elsewhere, and the way in which the gibbons tolerate the marmots and take care not to injure them is quite delightful, while the marmots' impudent manner towards their large housemates is most entertaining to onlookers.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Naval charities benefited by £4,805 as the result of Devonport Navy Week.

Another party of American citizens landed at Plymouth yesterday en route to settle in Soviet Russia.

The Coal Trimmers' Union has arranged for an educational scheme in connection with the Labour Colleges.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed the Rev. H. F. Burr, rector of Broxholme, Lincs, to the vicarage of North Shoebury.

About 2,500 competitors are taking part in the ninth annual Musical Festival in the Southern area of London at Wandsworth Town Hall this week.

FRIGHTFUL CADS,
OR ETON AS SHE IS NOT,
BY THE MARQUESS OF DONEGALL,
IN TO-MORROW'S "DAILY SKETCH."

J. Clifford, the Newport County amateur half-back, was accidentally shot yesterday in the left arm and left leg on a shooting expedition and taken to hospital.

Returning a verdict of "Accidental death" on Elsie Edna Sutton (14), of Upton Park, who was knocked down by a lorry, the inquest jury exonerated the driver.

Mr. George Lansbury attended an exhibition of films for children at the Alhambra Theatre on behalf of the fund for the School Journey Hostel in Buckinghamshire.

The L.M.S. Photographic Society have produced a film, "All's Well that Ends Well," which will be shown at their annual exhibition to-morrow at Euston Station.

The crew of ten of the Inverness steam drifter Charles Hay, which was sunk in a collision with the Lowestoft smack Peto on the herring grounds, were landed at Lowestoft.

Lord Hailsham, the ex-Lord Chancellor, yesterday laid the foundation stone of the new Congregational church, the gift of his father, at Sarisbury, near Southampton.

Following a dispute between the British Mannesman Tube Company, Swansea, and their workmen, over a proposal of the company to introduce a two shifts system in place of the existing three shifts, the men ceased work at mid-day yesterday, and about 1,000 men are idle.

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13th November, 1930.

The Advertising Manager,
The "Sunday Times."

Dear Sir,

You will be interested to hear that some customers told me last week they had seen my advertisement in the "home papers" in South Africa, and as they were coming over here in the Fall they cut the advertisement out.

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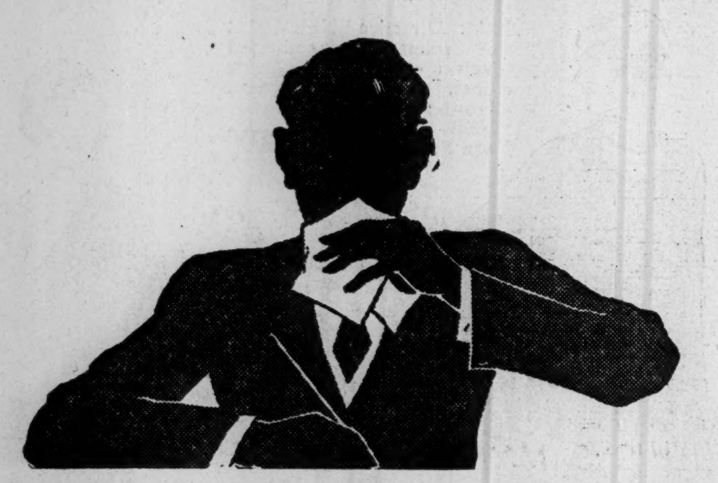

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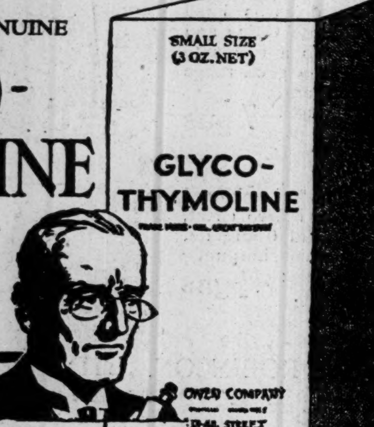

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Court and Society

The King and Queen left Buckingham Palace for Sandringham yesterday. Their Majesties are likely to remain at their Norfolk home for about a week, during which time the King hopes to be able to enjoy some shooting. The Queen of Norway paid a visit to her brother and sister-in-law, and stayed to luncheon on Thursday. Earlier in the week the King received the new German Ambassador, Baron von Neurath, and various members of the German Embassy.

The Duke and Duchess of York are to honour the Countess of Kenmare with their presence at dinner on December 3, and they will subsequently accompany their hostess to the ball at Grosvenor House in aid of St. Mary's Hospital. Her Royal Highness has consented to receive purses for the new nurse's home. The Marchioness of Salisbury, the Marchioness of Lansdowne, the Countess of Westmorland, the Dowager Countess of Airlie, and the Countess of Mayo will also be present.

The dinner and dance given by the Spanish Ambassador and his wife in honour of the Queen of Spain was a most brilliant affair. The long table in the state dining-room was beautifully decorated with giant dark red and bronze chrysanthemums, which duplicated the shades of the beautiful Genoese velvet upholstery of the chairs on which one sat. Supper was served there as well as the dinner, and additional round supper tables were set in the small dining-room. Her Spanish Majesty looked very handsome in a dress of white tulle embroidered in a vermicelli design in crystal beads, and the Infantas were dressed alike in frocks of white georgette, with a floral pattern carried out in tiny white beads. The Queen's jewels were marvellous, consisting of a high tiara of rubies and diamonds, and necklaces of similar stones, as well as many bracelets, and a giant ruby ring I also noticed on her left hand. Marquesa Merry del Val was gowned in dark brown tulle with a threadlike tracing of gold, and her diamonds were very fine. The Prince of Wales dined at the Spanish Embassy and remained on to dance until nearly midnight, and other Royalties I noticed were Princess Marie Louise, in dark blue georgette, and her sister, Princess Helena Victoria, in multi-coloured lamé, who danced with the Duke of Argyll. The Marchioness of Crewe looked elegant in a dark blue beaded dress and a diamond headband, the Countess of Winchilsea was a graceful wearer of a flowered chiffon dress and wore her diamond bandeau mounted on black velvet. Marchioness Curzon wore her big all-round diamond tiara with a dress of white velvet; Viscount Hambleden was dancing with his wife, who also wore white velvet; Lady Desborough, in a trailing black velvet gown, watched her daughter, the Hon. Imogen Grenfell, who was dancing gaily in a dress of red velvet; the Dowager Lady Glentanar, wearing magnificent solitaire diamonds, was chaperoning her granddaughter, Lady Anne Wellesley, who was dressed in Sèvres blue georgette, Miss Pamela Wellesley, in a frock of buttercup yellow satin, and also Lady Howard de Walden's daughter, the Hon. Bronwen Ellis, whose white satin dress was embroidered in crystals. A somewhat similar frock was worn by Miss Diane Chamberlain, and her mother was in the ever-popular black velvet. Viscountess Astor, with her famous all-round diamond tiara, was honoured by a long chat with the Queen of Spain; Lady Leconfield, in brown and gold lamé, was one of several very tall women, such as the Duchess of Westminster, whose diamond tiara was worn like a halo, and whose dress was of white and silver lamé. Many wore white lace, among them being the Countess of Ancaster, Lady Plunket, Mrs. Robin d'Erlanger, and Lady George Cholmondeley. The Hon. Evelyn FitzGerald brought his wife, in an Empire frock of white georgette, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rice were together, and so were Capt. and Mrs. Cunningham-Reid, Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Cunningham-Reid both wearing white. Lady Louis Mountbatten looked delightful in glittering silver sequins, Countess Howe and Lady Georgiana Curzon were each in velvet, the one in turquoise blue and the other in black; the Marchioness of Londonderry, in white tulle, was among those dancing, as were the Ladies Margaret and Helen Stewart.

When Madame de Fleuriau sends out cards to say that she will be *chez elle*, it is always safe to suppose there will be an interesting feature at the French Embassy; and on Wednesday Madame Ritter Chiampi's singing was the attraction. Madame de Fleuriau received her friends in a black georgette frock, and her daughter wore brown, the French Ambassador helping his wife to see that everyone went in to tea before the music started. Viscountess Cowdray, in black, brought her daughter, the Hon. Brenda Pearson, all in jade green; Mrs. Snowden—herself a concert hostess of the week—was dressed in green printed velvet; Lady Malcolm, enthusiastic at the success of her Servants' Ball, wore black velvet; near her were Sir George and Lady Arthur, the latter with a turquoise blue and black toque, and the Hon. Eleanor Brougham, in deep black. The Dowager Countess of Airlie, who chatted with Viscountess Dunedin, Lady Melchett, in sable hue, Lady Cory, with a bright blue feather in her hat, and Lady Dawson of Penn, in bottle green under a moleskin cloak, were also there. Then I met Mrs. Baldwin, wearing Canadian sables, Sir William Waterlow and his wife, with a spray of lilies of the valley in her coat, Lady Ponsonby, in mulberry red satin, the Hon. Mrs. Michael Bowes-Lyon, in a dress of multi-coloured lamé, Lady Desborough, with a stranded ermine collar, and Mrs. Guy Yerburgh, all in beige, with two of her sisters, who had been seeing off their parents, Sir Maurice and Lady de Bunsen, who have gone to Tangiers.

Yet another Mayfair mansion is to find its way into the market, for Earl Howe does not feel equal to retaining Curzon House. He has, in fact, not resided in it since he came into the property on the death of his father. And, moreover, the late Earl Howe only lived in it occasionally, as it was let year after year to the late Mr. Louis Winans for the summer months. More recent tenants were the Duke and Duchess of York, who rented it for some months before they had a town house of their own. The late Lord Howe preferred to live in the comparatively small house next to the one in Curzon Street, which he built for his son when he married his beautiful cousin, the present Lady Howe. Most of the property in Curzon Street belongs to Earl Howe.

MAYFAIR.

FOR . . . Evening Wear

SOME of the most striking evening frocks fit the wearer like a sheath. Velvet, satin, or taffeta silk lend themselves to this type of dress.

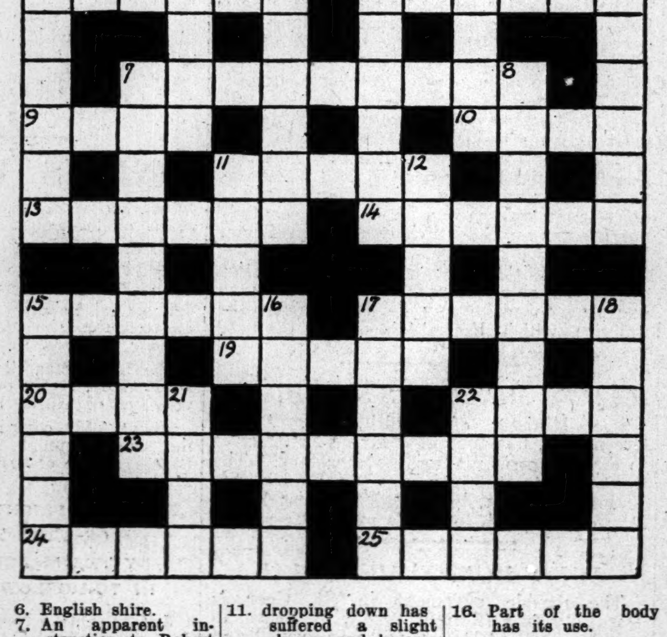
The sketch to the left shows a frock of oyster-toned ring velvet, with Victorian shoulder straps. The corsage (fastening invisibly at the side) and the hip line are unbroken to the godet flounce, and continue their narrow way to the deeper flounce, also shaped, near the hem of the ankle-length skirt.

A different kind of frock is shown in the right-hand sketch—of ivory (or palest pink) georgette, with "V"-shaped sections forming a double skirt, the hem line being slightly raised in the centre front.

The new short coatee and the flounce have sections of hanging "bugles" of the colour of the material.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 307.

Send solutions addressed "Cross-word No. 307," SUNDAY TIMES, 135, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4. Two novels selected from publishers' announcements in the SUNDAY TIMES will be given to the senders of the first five correct solutions opened after the first post on Thursday. Readers in Scotland are precluded from taking part in the competition.



ACROSS.

1. French village noted for its menhirs.
4. Chance, perhaps for the golfer.
7. The contents of the Old Curiosity Shop.
9. Fruit.
10. Cut before this for a weapon.
11. You must have an easy clue to start from; this is a gift.
13. Perchance you may make not use of this end of a line.
14. Robbed.
15. Town of India.
17. This chemical element shows hybrid approval of motoring.
19. Name of the girl you go to for advice.
20. A sound of grief.
22. You would show this to walk far with it in your shoe.
23. This watery home can never be quite useless.
24. Instrument to which the gourmet owes his oysters.
25. English air-port.

DOWN.

1. A dancing step.
2. Irish river at the mouth of the Thames.
3. In this case you will find a torpid grub.
4. Merely confused noise.
5. Keenness.
6. English shire.
7. An apparent instruction to Robert to commit murder has its uses in the winter.
8. A limb in a feline appears as a late course.
11. dropping down has suffered a slight change and become false.
12. Make one of several words from leaps.
15. What you are if you misunderstand a clue.
16. Part of the body has its use.
17. Musical instrument.
18. Intimation.
21. One of our men of war.
22. A Kipling hostage.

CROSS-WORD No. 306. PRIZEWINNERS.

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SOLUTION OF PUZZLE No. 306.

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A Woman's Corner

Women Bachelors.

Powder and Patches.

By PANDORA.

Armistice Day brings back many vivid memories of war and war experiences and losses, but the recollections of the pre-war years sometimes seem vague and unconvincing. The war made a deep gulf between the two parts of our lives, and there are many people whose hearts and minds were so scarred by the sorrows of those days that they are apt to forget many happy times that went before.

A correspondent suggests that it would be interesting to hear from readers what they remember most vividly of the Christmas of 1913, the last Christmas before the war—the last which belonged to the unclouded days. "I can give you," she says, "a pretty full account of mine, as it is fixed in my mind very vividly, but I wonder if others had any special experiences at that time." Well, had you?

Early Preparations.

I am again rather peevish over the too-early preparations for Christmas. Holly has appeared in some shop windows, and even though we know the parcels for a long way off have to be disposed of early, it is a little too soon to make such marked preparations for the season. The children will find Christmas rather stale before it comes if the decorations and the bazaars are on view too soon. But perhaps the holly was a timid advance not meant to be taken too seriously, and my tirade is premature.

Christmas makes one think of presents, and presents make me think of a delightful surprise I received last week in a box of flowers all the way from Cape Town. A helpful florist enclosed a card with the proper grand name of the gift, as well as a more manageable local name, from which I learn that my white blossoms with long thick green stems are called Ornithigalum (Cape Wild Flower), and the local name is Chincherinchee. Some mysterious charm came with the little wooden box. It was a raw evening, but the flowers and the card with a Cape Town address, and the thought of the land from which they sailed, with its sunshine and high colour, and the kindness of the friend far off, transformed a London room and brought a certain freshness and cheerfulness with them.

London Flowers.

The dahlias are at last put away snugly for the winter, and we no longer dawdle to gaze at the glowing masses of flowers in the parks. One grows accustomed to any show of the kind, and feels defrauded when it comes to an end. But there are still chrysanthemums, and a few odd patches of colour here and there, not to mention the green grass, which is extraordinarily vivid for this time of the year. On one of the sunny days we have had lately the typical November seems a figment of the imagination. Indeed, I feel rather apologetic to some overseas friends on their first visit to London that they have missed a London fog, which they fully expected to find numbered among the sights of the season.

An Awful Warning!

Of course you will go to the exhibition which the bachelor girls are conducting at the New Horticultural Hall, for how otherwise will you discover all the things which these able and cheerful young women are doing all by themselves? Celebrated women bachelors open the exhibition, more women form an orchestra, women furnish and show you how to run flatlets for the business and professional woman (has any machine been invented which will deposit her on the floor dressed for the day within a reasonable time of waking up?), but one of the features which the young women will find entertaining is a chamber of horrors, where are to be found the various articles which impeded the progress of women.

But is this an awful warning too? With dresses getting tighter and longer are we to regard such an exhibit as merely a record of old unhappy things, or is it a suggestion that we must stop in time or these tight corsets and other discomforts may be our fate again? It is impossible to feel quite safe when one sees evening gowns which touch the ground all round, although so far the day dresses are a safe and suitable length.

To the young women who have never worn long dresses they are highly amusing, because novelties, just as the young girls want to grow long hair, as it is dowdy and like their mothers to be shingled, but the women who remember dragging skirts and the feeling of being fettered should have more sense than to submit.

Feathers and Patches.

There are some fashions which belong to another time, and are charming. Feathers for hats, for example. One hears rumours that we are to wear feathers for "best" hats again with the longer afternoon skirts. And if the three-cornered hat of romance and of history comes in to its own again then what about patches? Not to mention powdered hair? The woman with grey or white hair, a picturesque hat, a bright complexion, by right of birth or by purchase, and a judicious patch here and there will be able to imagine herself a French marquise of olden days.

Three hundred years ago when patches were all the rage Mr. Pepys recorded of his pretty wife that she "seemed very pretty to-day, it being the first time I had given her leave to wear a black patch."

But shall we ever go back to the days when political views were expressed in such things as patches, as in Queen Anne's time when the Whig ladies wore their patches on the right side, and the Tories on the left? As there are now three parties the ladies of the third one would have to wear their patches on their chins. Such signs would be a boon to the tactful woman who dare not mention politics lest the person to whom she is talking be offended by her views, or else mentions politics and politicians with too much ardour, and finds that she has said the right thing to the wrong person.

Theatre Trials.

News that the noiseless chocolate has arrived is very comforting to those whose ears are tortured during a play by the crackling and the rustling of paper and the other demonstrations of enjoyment on the part of a neighbouring theatre-goer.

Perhaps the time will come when managers will wax haughty or actors and actresses be so independent that they can refuse to play in a theatre where things to eat are sold and consumed during a performance. Then we should witness the pleasing sight of blushing seat-holders being invited outside to eat their chocolates, or to enjoy their tea where they will not annoy anyone else. No longer will those who are trying to catch every word and to concentrate on expressions and atmosphere as well be worried by the hissing whisper of the lady who is telling the programme girl that she has put the money on the tray and wants some sixpences in change, or of the scrape as the tray is passed from hand to hand and lap to lap—both the voluntary and the involuntary lap so to speak. There are theatres where smoking is not allowed, as it annoys actors and audience. Perhaps there will be theatres where eating and wandering in and out more than a certain number of times is forbidden. Incidentally, I have never discovered why it is rude not to apologise for crowding past anyone in the street or elsewhere, yet quite in order for late arrivals at the theatre to push past the early birds, (who have to rise) without one word of apology. But then, this is a world full of mysteries.

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SIR J. SIMON AND HIS PARTY.

SHRINKING HABIT GROWING.

LIBERALS' NEED FOR RED CORPUSCLES.

TIME TO DEFEAT THE GOVERNMENT.

Sir John Simon received a hearty welcome from his constitutents at Cleckheaton yesterday, when the Town Hall was packed to overflowing to hear him explain the circumstances in which he had expressed in a letter to Mr. Lloyd George his lack of faith in the Socialist Government. After speaking to the main audience for close on an hour, he afterwards addressed an overflow meeting.

This, Sir John said, was the first Parliamentary session he had ever known in which, when Liberals were not in office, they as a party were unable to put down an amendment to the address. This was not because the Liberals in the House were satisfied with everything that the Government was doing or professing to do, or promising to do. Far from it.

"There are many things in which we do not see eye to eye with the Socialist Government. The proposal to reverse the Trade Disputes Act, for example. The sole reason why this year, for the first time in my experience, Liberals have failed to put down an amendment to the Address is because if they did so, and there was any danger of the Conservative Opposition voting for it, Liberals would have to run away from their own amendment if they did not wish to see the Government defeated. That is a position which seems to me intolerable, and I do not believe that Liberal influence in Parliament or in the country can revive as long as it continues."

UNEMPLOYMENT FAILURE.

Sir John recalled how the Liberals decided at the beginning of the present Parliament to judge each question on its merits and to give Mr. MacDonald every opportunity to make good his promise on unemployment.

Since the Labour Government came into office the number of registered unemployed had risen from 1,112,000 to 2,263,000. The total had more than doubled. During the period of the last twelve months unemployment had grown by a million.

"Now," went on Sir John, "the excuse that is offered is that this is all due to world-causes which no Government can control. I certainly do not dispute that contemporary world conditions go far to explain totals of unemployment not only in this country but in Germany and in America. But world conditions did not begin to affect unemployment when the General Election took place, even though things have got worse since. If these things are, according to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, things which no Government can alter there can be no objection on that score to changing the Government."

After making every allowance for the difficulties which had faced Ministers, could anyone dispute that the Labour Government had proved a complete failure? No wonder that Mr. Lloyd George declared that his complaint against the Government was, not that they had failed to solve the unemployment problem in twelve months, but that they had not even begun to tackle the job.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S EFFORTS.

"Now, as I have mentioned Mr. Lloyd George, let me add this. There is no man in the country who has worked so hard and so long at this unemployment problem as he has. No one has been so determined and generous in offering the Government help in dealing with it as he has.

"I have good and special reason to know that when others were taking holidays, he was working away, and the full meaning of his complaint that the Government has shown no drive and grip in the presence of this urgent and critical problem, can only be appreciated by those who know intimately how much Mr. Lloyd George, and others who have worked with him, have tried to help."

Regarding the application of the principle of Liberal support for the Government, Sir John suggested that the decision of the Liberal Party had recently undergone a subtle change. This change began in the later stages of the Coal Bill.

"We still support the Government in matters of which we approve—for instance, I supported the general principle of raising the school age—but when we come across a thing of which we, as Liberals, do not really approve at all, instead of voting against it, some of us constantly abstain, afraid of the grave results which might follow an adverse vote. They are not necessarily to be reproached on that account, but I can never get out of my head the observation of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, about the fate which overtook a Tory Government of that day which was always manœuvring for position. 'Gentlemen,' he said, 'for years they have lived on tactics, and now they have died of tactics.' I do not want that to be the epitaph of the Liberal Party.

THE HAMLET HABIT.

"The fact of the matter is that this shrinking from giving an adverse vote easily becomes a habit. It may proceed from the highest motives, but it is not understood by the country or respected by the Government. Shakespeare, who knew everything about human nature, put it long ago in the mouth of Hamlet. Hamlet hesitated on the brink of a decision because, as he said, the fear of consequences

> Puzzles the will,
> And makes us rather bear those ills we have,
> Than fly to others that we know not of;
> Thus conscience doth make cowards of us all.

"The Liberalism that I believe in is more downright and definite than that. Mr. Lloyd George said that the Government had not enough vitamins; I think we ought to have more red corpuscles. We shall, I believe, best serve our country if we do not spend too much of our time in tactical calculations, but take a bold stand, come what may, for the things in which we believe.

"First among these I would put the need for drastic and vigorous economy. Last year we were faced with a deficit of forty millions, and we imposed very heavy taxation to square the Budget. It looks very much as though this year we shall be faced with another heavy deficit. In these circumstances, I for one found it quite impossible to asquiesce in a vote for a further large sum to be paid on very lax conditions to parents out of public funds to compensate them for having their children educated at the public expense.

MENACE OF DOLE.

"I am a warm believer in Unemployment Insurance, but is there not a real danger that the system and conditions of relief have reached such proportions that some people are tempted to rely upon it as a constant incident of life, almost to the point when the will and determination to find work may be undermined? We all want to see the unfortunate helped to get back to honest toil, and it is quite right that the State should provide assistance in the meantime. But it would be a heavy price to pay if it has to be paid in ways that affect the character of any section of our people."

Sir John concluded his speech with a reference to Free Trade. Some of his Liberal friends, he said, hesitated to oppose the Government, fearing that if it were defeated Protection would be encouraged.

"If we are to consider tactics, are Free Traders sure that if this Labour Government blunders along in office for another year or two, the ultimate defeat of Protection is made more certain? Liberal abstensions, as it seems to me, may serve only to make the reaction greater. In all these things what is wanted is clarity and courage, clear thinking and brave action."

GOVERNMENT AND FOOD TAXES.

"DANGEROUS" EFFECTS ON TRADE.

MR. GRAHAM'S VIEWS

Mr. Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, in a speech at Glasgow yesterday to a private gathering of M.P.s and prospective Labour candidates and organisers, alluded to the result of the Imperial Conference, and said that this country was asked to tax imported wheat and other foodstuffs for no immediate advantage whatever in manufactured articles and probably for no ultimate advantage at all.

A third of our trade was done with Europe, a third with other foreign countries, and a third within the Empire, and there was not the slightest doubt that the imposition of a tariff on imported food would have a dangerous repercussion on at least two-thirds of our trade and particularly on a large volume of it with South America, in which at least £1,000,000,000 of British capital was invested.

The Labour movement believed in developing the resources of the British Commonwealth to the fullest extent, but in his judgment the United Kingdom Government had take a sound line in refusing to tax imported foodstuffs and in concentrating on the analysis of a quota for Dominion wheat, the question of bulk purchase, and price stabilisation.

DOMINIONS' ATTITUDE.

He believed the Dominions fully recognised the peculiar position of the United Kingdom, and that during the coming year, prior to the resumed conference at Ottawa, valuable progress would be made in fields, other than tariffism, which would promote inter-Imperial trade.

As regards our domestic industrial position, the reorganisation of the leading export industries was urgently required. The progressive amalgamation of collieries under the Coal Mines Act was perfectly consistent with Labour policy, since even if the collieries passed to any form of public ownership or public corporation, it would be necessary to get rid of weak or unnecessary units. In cotton, iron, and steel, and other leading industries, the Government were still proceeding on a voluntary basis: that is, they earnestly hoped that the industries themselves would put their house in order, so that they might meet greatly changed conditions in home and foreign competition.

PRODUCTION COSTS AND WAGES.

The broad object was to achieve such improvement in the structure of these industries as would enable them to lower their costs of production on efficient lines without attacking wages—a method which would lead only to widespread industrial strife and great commercial loss. He believed that such an attack was quite unnecessary if the industries would vigorously tackle definite reorganisation.

The Government had no desire to become involved in compulsory legislation applicable to the cotton, iron, and steel, or other industries. Such legislation would involve months of Parliamentary time, and would be highly contentious, and the voluntary effort of all these industries would tend to cease.

ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL FESTIVAL.

MASSED CHOIRS UNDER SIR W. DAVIES.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WINDSOR, Saturday.

One of the most noteworthy of the festival services held at St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, to celebrate the completion of its restoration took place this evening, when a service of combined church choirs was held.

There were over a thousand present, and the scene, as viewed from the organ gallery, was a remarkable one. The great church was full, and its lovely series of bays and arches are now visible in one sweep from the east to the great west window.

The service was the last of a series of evensong services which have been given in the historic building during the past fortnight. The clergy and choirs robed in the Royal riding school at the Castle, and walked in procession through the grounds to the chapel. The chancel choir was composed of the St. George's choir, together with the choirs of Eton College and St. Nicholas College from Chislehurst. The nave choir consisted of choirs from parish churches in the deaneries of Maidenhead, Burnham, Sonning, Hampton, Emley, and others.

The service opened with the processional hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell." The anthem, which was beautifully sung, was Wesley's "Blessed be the good." The Psalms and canticles were sung to chants.

The Dean of Windsor delivered an address, and the memorable service concluded with the recessional from Psalm 121, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills."

Sir Walford Davies conducted the choirs in the nave, and Mr. Malcolm Boyle, the sub-organist of the Chapel, was at the wonderful new organ.

ART GALLERY AFLOAT.

AQUITANIA EXHIBITION FOR BRITISH LEGION.

Prince George will visit Southampton next Friday to open an exhibition of contemporary British art aboard the Cunarder Aquitania, which will be transformed into a floating art gallery for the voyage to New York and back.

Every picture in this exhibition is the work of a living British artist, and has been presented to the Prince of Wales for sale in aid of his personal fund on behalf of the British Legion Mr. Mellon, Secretary to the United States Treasury, has granted free entry for the paintings, drawings, and frames into the U.S.A. "as an act of international courtesy."

It was Sir Joseph Duveen who, at the request of the Prince of Wales, organised this exhibition, with the co-operation of the Cunard Company, and Mr. Roy Bishop, accompanied by Captain Cotton Minchin, representing the Prince's personal fund, will be in charge of the collection.

General Dawes, General the Right Hon. J. E. B. Seely (Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire), the Mayor of Southampton, the chairman of the Cunard Line, and many other prominent people will visit Southampton in order to wish a successful trip to the exhibition. One of the outstanding features of the organisation has been the personal interest and enterprise of the American Ambassador, and an influential committee of patrons is being formed in New York to welcome the Aquitania and her pictures.

PORTUGUESE FLIGHT TO INDIA.

BAGHDAD, Saturday.

Captain Moreira Cardoso and Lieutenant Sarmento Pimentel, the Portuguese airmen, who are flying to Goa (Portuguese India) arrived here late last night and left this morning for Bushire.—Reuter.

EIGHTY HOUSES BURNED.

BUCHAREST, Saturday.

Eighty houses and great quantities of grain and other harvested produce were destroyed by a fire last night at the village of Valea Seaca, near Bacau. The fire spread rapidly and defied attempts to control it. The amount of the damage is considerable, but no lives were lost.—Reuter.

UNEMPLOYED WIVES.

SHARE IN £10,500,000 DOLE INCREASE.

STAFF. £750,000.

GROWING CLAIMS OF THE WORKLESS.

Of a Supplementary Estimate for £10,956,000 issued yesterday the Ministry of Labour claims no less than £10,500,000 owing to the increase in unemployment.

Other claimants are:—

Colonial and Middle Eastern Services, £400,000.

Public Buildings Overseas, £56,000.

This Supplementary Estimate brings the total for 1930 to £11,980,403.

The Ministry of Labour require £750,000 for extra salaries and wages, and £10,500,000 as a contribution to the Unemployment Fund. Appropriations in aid have increased by £750,000.

[In the House of Commons last week the Minister of Labour announced that there had been an increase from last year of approximately 5,000 in the staff dealing with unemployment insurance.]

The increased number of persons unemployed is responsible for both increases. The administration of unemployment insurance involves additional work, while owing to the depression in industry fewer people are at work than was assumed when the Estimates were framed, and less is being paid in contributions by the employers and employed.

The contributions paid by the Exchequer as ordinary benefit were correspondingly less. The amount was now estimated at £14,970,000, a saving of one million pounds.

MARRIED WOMEN WORKERS.

The original estimate for transitional benefit was £10,500,000, based on a live register in the neighbourhood of 1,200,000. It did not include provision for certain classes (married women, seasonal workers, etc.), which were considered likely to be brought into benefit by the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1930, but regarding which no data was available. The cost in 1930 is estimated at £4,000,000.

Having regard to the present rate of expenditure and to the fact that it was still increasing, the total cost of transitional benefit to the Exchequer was estimated at £22,000,000, or an increase of £11,500,000. From this had to be taken the decrease of one million pounds in respect of ordinary benefit, leaving an increase of £10,500,000.

SUGAR INDUSTRY CRISIS.

The present crisis in the sugar industry in the West Indies is responsible for advances of £5,000 to Antigua, £112,000 to British Guiana, and £7,000 to St. Kitts-Nevis. A portion of the grant to British Guiana will be in the form of a loan.

The damage caused by the recent hurricane in Dominica is largely responsible for grants totalling £14,500, while the sugar crisis in St. Lucia is the reason for the grant of £2,500. A grant of £5,000 in aid of expenses of administration and a loan of £50,000 to British Guiana for the same purpose are other items.

The amount required for the acquisition of land adjoining the Residency in Iraq, for improving the accommodation of the High Commissioner and staff, is £22,000. The additional cost of British and Indian Forces employed in Iraq is £11,000.

PALESTINE FORCES.

The extra cost of the employment of British Forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan is £42,000, while the additional grant in aid required towards the cost of the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force is £148,000. Administration expenses in the same area have increased by £24,000. Appropriations in aid from Palestine revenue will be £43,000.

An addition of £30,000 for the purchase of a plot of land in connection with the new Embassy buildings at Washington, and an extra £13,000 for the purchase and adaptation of a residence for the High Commissioner at Cape Town are the principal items under the heading of "Public Buildings Overseas."

LORD HAREWOOD'S OLD FURNITURE.

CHIPPENDALE'S RECEIPTS.

Opening an exhibition of old English furniture at Leeds yesterday, the Earl of Harewood mentioned that there were in Harewood House pieces of Chippendale's work for which the family held Chippendale's receipted bills.

Lord Harewood was accompanied by Princess Mary, who made a careful inspection of the exhibits, amongst which were several pieces from Harewood House.

Lord Harewood said that even with the immense area occupied by various exhibitions in London it was impossible for them to cater for the tastes of all the public. How much more impossible was it, therefore, for the provinces to have permanent exhibitions. Town exhibitions were of value to three sections of the public—the lover of the beautiful, the collector, and the "copyist." Nothing new had ever lived long unless it had been modelled on the old. Chippendale was a Yorkshireman, and that was why the best of his work was to be found in Yorkshire.

PORTRAIT DEFACED.

FRENCH ACTRESS VICTIM OF UNPLEASANT JOKE.

PARIS, Saturday.

Madame Regina Camier, the well-known French actress, has been the victim of a very disagreeable joke. Lately she had her portrait painted by a fashionable artist. After being exhibited at the Salon it was hung in the hall of the Théatre des Nouveautes, where the actress is at present performing. It was admired by all.

The caretaker, opening the theatre one morning, found that someone had added a beard and moustache to the face of the painting.

Actress and painter (M. Braitou-Sala) have lodged a complaint with the police.—Central News.

WOMEN USHERS.

PROVISIONS ALREADY MADE AT THE OLD BAILEY.

Mr. Justice Swift has fluttered the Court dovecotes by his suggestion of women ushers at the Old Bailey.

He had noticed an elderly woman witness trembling in the Old Bailey box, and when told there were no women ushers said: "I wonder how long it will be before a woman usher is provided at the Central Criminal Court. Almost every time I am here I have to seek the services of a woman volunteer."

The City Corporation, which maintains the building, has several women attendants, who are usually available in a case of sickness. There is also a woman probation officer of the court, and a woman officer attached to the police who is frequently at the Old Bailey.

When a jury in which women are included is locked up all night in a murder trial the women are always attended by a woman bailiff.

The Queen of Norway visited Walker's Galleries yesterday and made three purchases at the exhibition of water-colours by Mrs. Anne Style.

HOURS IN COAL MINES.

MR. SHINWELL'S REPLY TO RUMOURS.

HOPE OF AVOIDING DISPUTE.

"We cannot afford another mining dispute," declared E. Shinwell, Minister of Mines, speaking at Ashington, Northumberland, yesterday.

"There are threats of war in the coal mining industry. It is not long since I left the War Office for the Mines Department. Believe me, the War Office is a much quieter institution than the Mines Department. I left one war office for another. But in spite of the threats, I am not without hope that that dispute will be avoided.

"There is evidence in the coal mining industry that augurs well for its future success, and which shows that the industry is far from played out. At present it is only in the transition stage. I am full of optimism about our industry, and, speaking on behalf of the Government, we shall do all we can in the way of collaboration with the industry to promote its well-being."

"I make no secret of what I am doing. I am at present engaged in paving the way for an international agreement, and in this way I hope the coal mining industry will receive the encouragement of the Government.

THE HOURS QUESTION.

"I observed in the newspapers this morning, to my great surprise, an announcement regarding Part III. of the Coal Mines Act relating to hours of labour. They say I am attempting to oppose that part of the Coal Mines Act. I am very glad of the opinion of the Press, but they are wrongly informed. I have no such intention. There must be a *modus vivendi* by which we can escape this impending doom. That I know is strong language, but I believe it sums up the position accurately, and I cannot say more at this stage."

It was stated in London last night on behalf of the coalowners that they had at the moment no comment to make on Mr. Shinwell's speech, but it was hoped that some means would be found of averting the possibility of a deadlock.

COURT LEAVES LONDON.

THE KING'S PLANS FOR SHOOTING.

The King and Queen left Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon for a short stay at Sandringham House. It is understood Their Majesties will be in Norfolk for about a week, and will then return to London.

According to present arrangements the King will return to Sandringham again before Christmas for a week's shooting; on this occasion he will not be accompanied by the Queen, who has a long list of engagements in London in connection with Christmas shopping, and also with the Working Guild at the Imperial Institute.

It is expected that the King will this year pay a visit to the Fat Stock Show, which opens during the first week of December at the Agricultural Hall, Islington.

Their Majesties journeyed to Norfolk by train, leaving King's Cross at 12.55. In attendance were Major Seymour (Equerry), Major Harding (Secretary), and Sir Derek Keppel (Master of the Household). On arrival at the station they were met by Mr. Oliver Bury, director of the L.N.E.R., and Mr. G. F. Thurston, divisional general manager.

THE KING'S MESSAGE TO GUARDS.

The First Battalion Grenadier Guards who sailed from Southampton, yesterday, for Egypt, had a farewell message from the King, which read:—

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The Duke of Connaught, who is Colonel of the Regiment, also sent a telegram.

KING CAROL OPENS PARLIAMENT.

A GREAT OVATION.

BUCHAREST, Saturday.

At noon to-day King Carol opened Parliament for the first time in his reign. A number of distinguished personages, including the members of the Diplomatic Corps, filled the tribunes to overflowing, and the King received an ovation which lasted several minutes.

His son, the young Prince Michael, in the uniform of the military school, was at his father's side.

The King received the speech from the Throne from the hands of the Prime Minister, and his reading of it was frequently interrupted by bursts of applause. Opposition members were present in full force at the ceremony.—Reuter.

LOST WOMAN MYSTERY

MISSING AFTER NURSING FRIEND WHO DIED.

Inquiries are being made by the Cornwall police as to the whereabouts of Mrs. Annie Hearn, widow, of Trenhorne, near Launceston, who disappeared from her home after the death of her friend, Mrs. Alice Thomas, wife of a farmer of Drenhorne, whom she had nursed before Mrs. Thomas was removed to Plymouth Hospital. It is thought she may have lost her memory. She left her home by car for Looe, and since then nothing has been heard of her.

It is considered possible she may have gone to Yorkshire. Before her marriage she was a Miss Everard, and lived at Harrogate. Her husband was formerly a doctor at Sheffield, and it is believed she has a sister living in Doncaster.

Her description is as follows: Age, 42-44; height, 5 ft. 2 in.; slim build, light-brown bobbed hair, black dress, check coat, black hat, light stockings, black shoes.

GERMAN MINISTER'S LONDON VISIT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

The Minister of Labour, Herr Stegerwald, is leaving for London to-morrow for a conference with the British Government. He will be accompanied by Herren Sitzler and Feig. The conference is expected to last two days.—Reuter.

SCHOOL CHILDREN ON STRIKE.

The decision of the Essex education authorities to remove a number of scholars from the village school in North Street, Hornchurch, to the school at the Shoreditch Cottage Homes, which are also in Hornchurch, has created considerable discontent among the older residents, who have refused to send their children to school until the arrangement has been cancelled. Between fifty and sixty children are affected.

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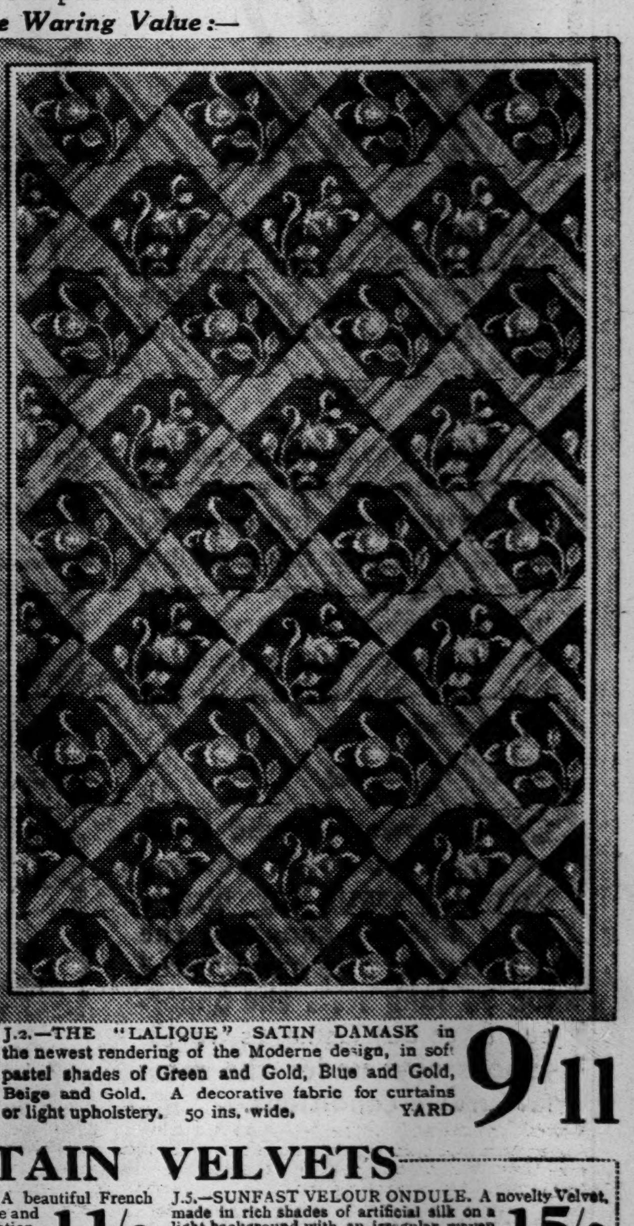

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PERIL OF ROAD NOVICES.

CORONER ON "DANGER PERIOD."

WOMAN DRIVER'S TWO CRASHES.

All people learning to drive must go through a period when they were a danger to the public, observed the Hammersmith coroner (Dr. Edwin Smith), at an inquest yesterday on a man of 81, who was knocked down and killed by a motor-car in Church Street, Chelsea.

Miss Mary Margaret James, of Neville Terrace, S.W., the driver of the car, had stated that she had never driven a car of the type before, and was learning to handle it in order to take up a post as chauffeur to a doctor.

The dead man, Mr. Edgar William Ruffey, of Beaufort Street, Chelsea, was identified by his brother, Mr. Henry James Ruffey, assistant town clerk of Chelsea.

Evidence showed that, after knocking Mr. Ruffy down, the car crashed into a stationary taxicab and mounted the pavement. Miss James admitted that just before this accident she had a collision with a bus at the corner of King's Road and Oakley Street, but she did not lose her head until after she had hit Mr. Ruffy

She added that she would never drive a car again.

A witness said that the car swept round the corner of Church Street at about 20 miles an hour.

The coroner remarked that persons learning to drive cars drove earnestly, and their striving occasionally made them do the wrong thing, such as putting their foot on the accelerator instead of the brake.

Returning a verdict of accidental death, the jury exonerated Miss James.

NO BAIL FOR GIALDINI.

PRISON TILL TRIAL.

MILAN, Saturday.

Gialdini, the former associate of Clarence Hatry, the financier, who has been in prison for nearly a year, has again been refused bail by the Court, for the reason that the preliminary examination of the evidence is not yet finished and further information is still required from England.

He will therefore remain in prison till his trial. But the present period of imprisonment will be taken into account in the final sentence if he is found guilty.

He has a comfortable cell, his meals are sent in from a neighbouring restaurant, and he is allowed to receive visitors and to have books.—Reuter.

MUGS AS WEAPONS.

"NAZI" STORM TROOPS IN ACTION.

MUNICH, Saturday.

"Nazi" storm troops disturbed a meeting of the Republican "Reichsbanner" and Socialist students here last night, using mugs and chair legs as weapons.

Eight persons were seriously injured, and have been removed to hospital. The police finally cleared the hall.—Reuter.

An Exchange message describes the affray as a free fight in a beer house.

THE CONSUMERS' COUNCIL.

GOVERNMENT SCHEME AND ITS COST.

£20,000 A YEAR.

POWERS TO EXAMINE TRADERS' BOOKS.

The text was issued yesterday of the Consumers' Council Bill, which was introduced in the House of Commons on Thursday by Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade. It is "backed" by the Attorney-General, the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Lord Advocate and Mr. Walter Smith.

The bill proposes to establish a Consumers' Council consisting of seven members, the Board of Trade being given power to appoint additional members for the purpose of any investigation which the Council propose to institute.

One clause provides for the payment of such remuneration, if any, and such travelling and subsistence allowances, to the Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, and members of the Council, such remuneration to accountants and other assistants employed by the Council, and such other expenses of the Council, as the Board, with the approval of the Treasury, may determine.

Any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade, it is proposed, shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

A memorandum issued with the Bill states that it is difficult to estimate the probable cost under these provisions. Expenditure on accountants' and assistants' remuneration and travelling and subsistence allowances must depend on the scope and number of inquiries held by the Council.

It will be necessary for the Board of Trade to appoint a secretary to the Council, and additional clerical staff. Expenditure may also be incurred under a clause which empowers the Board of Trade to take legal proceedings in cases of general importance.

It is not expected that the total expenditure for these purposes will exceed £20,000 per annum.

COUNCIL'S DUTY.

It will be the duty of the Council to investigate all questions relating to the production, distribution, supply or price of any commodity with which they are charged to concern themselves, as may appear to them either by reason of complaints made to them or from other information in their possession, and also following complaints which may be referred to them by the Board of Trade.

From time to time the Council will be required to make reports to the Board of Trade as to the results of their investigations and submit such recommendations as they may think fit.

The commodities with which the Council are to concern themselves are articles of food of general consumption, articles of wearing apparel, clothing materials, fuels, and any other article of common use with which they may be charged by order of the Board of Trade to concern themselves, provided that an order of the Board, made under this section, be laid before each House of Parliament to have no effect until approved by each House.

ACCESS TO BOOKS.

For the purpose of any investigation the Council would have powers to summon before them and examine upon oath any person who, in their opinion, is likely to be able to afford any material information; require such persons to furnish information in writing with respect to any point upon which they desire information; and require them to produce, or permit any committee or member of the Council or person appointed by the Council, to have access to such books, accounts and other documents as, in the opinion of the Council, are likely to contain material information.

Where the Council report with respect to any commodity that an excessive price or charge by way of brokerage is being or is likely to be charged, and, further, that conditions exist which restrict the free play of competition, they may include a statement of their opinion as to the price which ought to be charged, and recommend that an order should be made by the Board to secure compliance with the Council's opinion.

Where the Board of Trade have received such a recommendation they may take steps as they think fit for bringing the Council's opinion to the notice of persons affected, and requesting them to comply with that opinion.

Where compliance cannot otherwise be procured the Board may make an order prohibiting a price being charged, or a brokerage or commission charge made, greater than those specified in the order.

Such an order may be limited in its operation for a particular period and to a particular area.

PROPOSED PENALTIES.

Any person contravening such an order would be liable for a first offence to a fine not exceeding £5, and for a subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding £10, or to imprisonment for three months, or both.

Information obtained by the Council under the Act is not to be disclosed, and every member and person employed would be required to make a declaration of secrecy. Neglect or refusal to do so would make a person liable to a fine not exceeding £50, or three months' imprisonment.

Any person disclosing information obtained through the powers conferred on the Council would be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour, and be liable on conviction to two years' imprisonment, or a fine of £100, or both. On summary conviction the penalty would be three months' imprisonment, or a fine of £50, or both.

"BUMPS" BROADCAST.

DR. HOLLANDER REPLIES TO PROFESSOR BURT.

A reply to a series of talks broadcast by Professor Cyril Burt last spring was made by Dr. Bernard Hollander at the annual congress of the British Phrenological Society in London yesterday.

Dr. Hollander declared that in the first talk, broadcast on April 29, Professor Burt, in reviewing the different methods of diagnosing mind and character disposition, had made about a dozen statements about phrenology, every one of which could be proved to be misleading, if not absolutely false. He contended that Professor Burt mixed up instinct, emotion, and sentiment.

Another of Dr. Hollander's criticisms was directed to Professor Burt's view that all knowledge was a knowledge of sensations. "If all our ideas come from the senses," he said, "how can we explain the brilliant imagination of Milton, who was blind at an early age; or the extraordinary achievements of Laura Bridgman and Helen Keller, blind, deaf, and dumb from infancy? By ignoring the vast amount of scientific evidence demonstrating the truth of phrenology and by broadcasting false statements to millions of people, Professor Burt is not injuring phrenology as much as the public, for important scientific research is thereby hindered or delayed, and a vast number of sufferers are deprived of the possibility of relief in mental abnormalities and disease."

FOURTH CECIL HOUSE.

The Prime Minister will open the fourth Cecil House at 179, Harrow Road, W.2, on Wednesday. The House can accommodate sixty women and seventeen babies, with a special sitting-room and dormitory for mothers and children. The Queen has shown her interest in the scheme by presenting a clock for the general sitting-room. A charge of 1s. a night is made for a bed, hot bath, tea and biscuits night and morning, and facilities for washing clothes. The charge for a cot is 3d.

SCOTS' EYES ON TRADE.

NO SIDE-TRACKS IN BYE-ELECTION.

MORE WORK THE MAIN ISSUE.

CANDIDATES.

The Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale, Unionist.
Bailie Thomas Irwin, Socialist.
W. Oliver Brown, Nationalist.
Nominations Nov. 18, polling Nov. 28.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

RENFREW, Saturday.

With the adoption of a Socialist nominee, the bye-election in East Renfrewshire is now in full swing, though the Communists are understood to be still considering the possibilities of a candidate.

The Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale has narrowed the issues of debate to Safeguarding and Unemployment. Two local industries, calico and tyres, have already come under his review, and Major Colville, M.P. for North Midlothian, and an authority on iron and steel, has visited the constituency to explain the benefits which these and kindred trades would derive from import duties.

A point which both have emphasied is the impossibility of maintaining our present standard of social life and services if the dumping of foreign competive goods, produced by sweated or subsidised labour, is to continue. Other industries of local importance will be treated in turn.

THE FILM VAN.

The unionist "talkie" and cinematograph van is due in the constituency on Monday, and will tour the remoter corners of the widely-scattered division, which are also being exhaustively canvassed by an energetic local branch of the Junior Imperialistic League. On Wednesday, Sir John Gilmour will speak at Barrhead, which adjoins his own constituency of Pollok, while on the same evening Mr. R. J. G. Boothby will address a meeting here in the county town.

The Hon. Kenneth Weir, son of Lord Weir, who won a seat on Glasgow Town Council last week, is also assisting the Marquis.

The Socialist campaign is not proving very impressive, mainly because of their inability to refute the Marquis's claim that the Government have fulfilled none of their election promises, and have dismissed the one man, Sir Oswald Mosley, who tried to get them to do so. Mr. Brown, the Nationalist, is showing much zeal, but the electors are too perturbed by the rising unemployment figures to be swayed by Nationalist sentiment.

The poll will be taken on the new voters' roll, which shows an increase of over 7,000 since the last election. As Mr. MacRobert's majority on that occasion was 1,563, it will be seen that the new voters have a decisive voice.

AUCTIONS AND ESTATES.

COUNTY SEAT IN KENT TO LET.

The Earl of Sondes has instructed Knight, Frank and Rutley to let Lees Court, which is one of the best known county seats in Kent. The stately modern mansion is a replica of the previous one designed by Inigo Jones in 1651, the year of his death. The excellent shooting over 9,000 acres, some of the best in the Home Counties, will be included in a tenancy. The grounds are of unusual beauty.

On Thursday, at Hanover Square, Knight, Frank and Rutley will offer by auction the freehold property, the Old Garden, Twickenham, with four acres, and, in conjunction with Chancellor and Sons, Lavender Farm, Ascot, with 21 acres.

Brisley Rise, a seventeenth-century residence at Willesborough, near Ashford, Kent, with three acres of grounds will be offered on the premises on November 27.

The auction of Hillingdon House Farm, Uxbridge, a freehold building estate of some 130 acres, will be held by Knight, Frank and Rutley at Hanover Square on December 4. The property possesses about 3,280 ft. of frontage to existing roads. On the same day, at Hanover Square, the firm will also submit the Vache estate, Chalfont St. Giles, comprising about 30 acres of freehold building land, having valuable frontages of about 2,550 ft. to the Uxbridge-Amersham Road, to Vache Lane and a private road.

VILLAGE HALL FOR SALE.

The executors of the late Adele Lady Meyer have instructed Knight, Frank and Rutley to offer by auction the village hall and other properties at Newport, Essex. These properties originally formed part of the Shortgrove estate, but were retained when the latter was disposed of in 1923. Other properties on the books of Knight, Frank and Rutley include 4, Central Buildings, Westminster, which is to be sold freehold or let on lease, the total floor area being 32,300 square ft., and Chapel Hill House, near Margate, a Georgian residence which commands extensive sea and land views.

Three entertainment houses in the North of England are to be offered by Knight, Frank and Rutley, at Manchester, on December 2. The properties are the Grand Theatre, Lancaster; the Theatre Royal, Whitehaven; and the Hippodrome Picture House (formerly the Grand Theatre), West Hartlepool.

Hampton and Sons will offer on Tuesday, at their Estate Auction Rooms, in St. James's Square, a number of freehold and leasehold residences. The properties will include Milton Heath and Sondes Place, Dorking, two freehold houses with 51¼ acres of gardens and land (in conjunction with Arnold and Son): Becton Croft, Burgess Hill, freehold, with three acres of grounds; The Elms, Holmwood, Surrey, an old-fashioned freehold country house: 2, Cumberland Place, Regent's Park, a medium-size leasehold residence facing the Park; 8, Lygon Place, S.W.1, a luxuriously fitted Willett-built house; 81, South Audley Street, a house of exceptional character, close to the Park; and 63, Tufton Street, S.W.1, a compact modern leasehold residence in a secluded and central position.

NORFOLK HOUSE.

Norfolk House, St. James's Square, for many years the home of the Dukes of Norfolk, and one of the last of the palaces of the old régime, is still in the market. Hampton and Sons have received a number of inquiries, and it may be that this mansion will not suffer the fate that has been the lot of other London houses of similar character sold during recent years, but will continue to adorn the east side of the square.

At the London Auction Mart, on Thursday, Newbon and Shephard will offer several freehold shops and houses in Bow Common Lane, Upper Street, Islington, and freehold residences in Burdett Road, South Woodford, Bow, and Forest Gate; two leasehold shops and houses in Caledonian Road, and a number of well-secured leasehold ground rents on property in Camden Town and Holloway.

By private treaty, Knight, Frank and Rutley have sold the sporting estate of Durris. The area of the estate, which is situated on the River Dee, near Banchory, extends to about 16,000 acres. The outlying portions of the Gorhambury estate, St. Albans, extending to 4,923 acres, have been sold by Knight, Frank and Rutley to the Commissioners of Crown Lands. Lord Verulam has retained the mansion house of Gorhambury, the park, Prae Wood, and Maynes Farm, together about 1,237 acres.

16, Chester Terrace, Regent's Park, which was to have been included in George Trollope and Son's auction on Wednesday, has been sold privately. Farebrother Ellis and Co. introduced the purchaser.

Warmans have sold by private treaty properties in Highbury Hill, Highbury, Barnsbury, Islington, Canonbury, Finsbury Park, Clissold Park, Crouch End, Hornsey, Muswell Hill, Wood Green, N. Finchley, Fulham, Laindon Hills, Reigate, Golders Green, Edmonton, and freehold ground rents at total purchase prices amounting to about £44,000.

James Styles and Whitlock announce the sale of the attractive small farm known as Leigh Bridge Farm, Headcorn, Kent, with about 30 acres of excellent land.

Marsh and Marsh are removing their offices to 197, Kensington High Street. This firm has been established in Kensington since 1856.

IRISH HOSPITAL DRAW.

LAST HOUR RUSH FOR TICKETS.

HOME OFFICE BAN.

MR. CLYNES EXPLAINS THE LAW.

The draw in the Irish Free State Hospital Sweepstake on the Manchester November Handicap will take place tomorrow. Yesterday there was a last-minute rush to secure tickets.

This is the sweepstake in regard to which action was taken in this country by the Home Office, in conjunction with the Post Office, to prevent the despatch of subscriptions through the post. Yesterday the text was issued of a letter sent by Mr. J. R. Clynes, the Home Secretary, to Mr. Hre Belisha, M.P., replying to criticisms that the Home Office action was "belated." Mr. Clynes wrote:—

"There has been no new departure of policy in connection with the sweepstake. The action taken in these matters is always the same.

"In such cases the Post Office, under its own regulations, stops all open or unsealed packets observed in the post to contain advertisements or tickets and reports the matter to the Secretary of State, forwarding samples.

"If the promoters or agents or printers of the circulars or tickets are in this country information is forwarded to the chief officer of police concerned for any action which he may consider necessary in the circumstances.

"I AM NOT RESPONSIBLE."

"It would not be possible to take action against parties in England, and yet do nothing if the parties promoting the sweepstake operate from outside this country.

"But for many years past it has been the practice when circulars in open letters are observed in the post to issue a warrant under the common law power, authorising the Postmaster-General to open postal packets addressed to the promoters, and to direct the Postmaster-General, instead of simply retaining the packets, to return the remittances to the senders.

"It will be seen that a sweepstake may be well under way before this stage is reached, but action is taken as soon as attention is called to the matter. I am not responsible for the existing law, but as long as the law relating to lotteries remains as it is the departments concerned have no alternative but to take action on the lines I have indicated."

EVADING THE BAN.

Queues nearly a mile long waited in the rain outside the head offices of the sweepstake yesterday morning when a last-minute rush was made to secure tickets. Such has been public support, that the guaranteed sum of £25,000, which was lodged by the trustees in the Bank of Ireland before the commencement of the "Sweep," was increased many times. The figure was estimated to exceed £350,000.

Members of the Government, banks, business houses, and shopkeepers have received subscriptions from people in the United Kingdom asking that their applications should be forwarded to headquarters. One letter apologised for the liberty in writing and added a reference to the "grandmotherly and Mrs. Grundyfied legislation on the part of these islands from which this letter is sent."

YESTERDAY'S MUSIC.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS GIVE RECITALS.

Londoners had the choice of listening, at Wigmore Hall, to a pianist, and at Queen's Hall to a violinist, both of whom are acknowledged to be among the foremost artists of the day.

That the response did not represent a numerical maximum is fortunately not to be taken, on a Saturday afternoon, as a serious index to our enthusiasms.

The pianist was Egon Petrie, who is, for many, the greatest living interpreter of Beethoven. Of this composer he chose the Sonata in E flat major, Op. 81a (Les Adieux, L'Absence et le Retour). It was a performance full of the rarest satisfaction—considerations of structure, colour, sentiment, all had their proper places, and contributed to its eloquence.

Before, he had played a seven-fold group of modern arrangements of old-fashioned music, notably several numbers by Glück, with infallible judgment in the matter of exposition and tinting.

After, came groups by Brahms and Chopin. I could stay only for the first of the Brahms Intermezzi, Op. 117. It was difficult indeed to tear oneself away from a demonstration of such soft-toned clarity and tender feeling.

MISCHA ELMAN.

The violinist was Elman. If there was one thing in his programme that showed his superlative command of fiddle technique it was the Bach Sonata in E major, for violin alone. The musicianship behind it was that of perfect appraisal, but without this violinist's impeccable facility, it is easy enough, as we know, for this music to become a trial rather than, as on this occasion, a high pleasure.

The Nin Rhapsodie Iberienne, dedicated to him and not heard before in this country, is a typical product of latter-day Spain, light in interest but excellent as a vehicle for the display of temperament.

Beethoven's Sonata in C, Op. 30, and the Max Bruch Concerto were the other large works on the programme, in which Marcel van Gool was the piano accompanist.

ALEXANDRA TRIANTI.

At Grotrian Hall Miss Alexandra Trianti made her first appearance in this country in four groups of songs, two by Beethoven and two by Schubert. She is a highly finished singer, and capable of fine shades of subtlety in interpretation.

Evidently she had applied intensive study to the Beethoven songs, and, without straining their uses, gave them a twist, now grave, now gay, that lent them a becoming significance that not all discover in them. She is well equipped for *coloratura* work. Michael Raucheisen accompanied sympathetically.

H. F.

MODERN AMAZONS.

WOMEN WHO FOUGHT IN BRAZIL REVOLUTION.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Saturday.

Two women fought with the revolutionary cavalry during the recent disturbances in Brazil. It has been discovered now that the new Government has settled down to governing.

The two women had cut their hair and fought in engagements with the men. They were Senorita de la Carreras who fought with the forces of General Flores da Cunha, and Senorita Rose Rodriguez, with the troops of Baptista Luzardo.

Many women joined the ranks of the insurgents in the province of Rio Grande do Sul, but were discovered before they moved northward.—British United Press.

MINISTER ON MURDER CHARGE.

A clergyman of the Church of Scotland will appear before the High Court of Justiciary, which opens at Edinburgh tomorrow, on a charge of murder.

The accused is the Rev. Peter Carmichael Marr, minister of Haywood, Lanark, who, it is alleged, murdered James M'Nair Dalgleish, a Leith business man, on August 30. It has been announced that a plea of insanity will be submitted.

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"PROSPERITY" AT AN END.

U.S. BUDGET DEFICIT CERTAIN.

INCOME TAX TO GO UP.

A CALL FOR DEBTS REVISION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

For the first time in America's peace-time history the National Treasury is confronted with the certainty of a deficit. This is now admitted by Mr. Hoover himself, and means that income taxes, reduced last year to offset the effects of the stock market crash, will be raised at least to the old levels, if not higher.

Courageous leadership by the United States would end the world depression, lighten the prevailing financial strain and give a tremendous stimulus to world trade. If America does not take action voluntarily, it may be forced upon her later by a breakdown of the whole International payments structure. Such was the tenor of the speeches of the prominent financiers and economists who attended the fiftieth annual meeting of the Academy of Political Science in New York yesterday.

The United States was criticised not only for being in a position to help and standing aloof, but also for aggravating the situation with an ill-timed tariff policy and short-sightedness with regard to Inter-Allied debt settlements.

"Splendid Adventures" Ahead.

There was a note of optimism, however, running through the Convention that the world trade depression was at its worst, and the hope was expressed that out of the Young Plan will arise conditions that will challenge business conditions everywhere to "a splendid adventure" in the years just ahead.

Mr. Thomas Lamont, senior partner of J. P. Morgan's, who presided at last night's dinner, devoted much of his speech to the American tariff, which, he said, had led to a certain feeling of dismay and ill-will abroad and to retaliation. While the tariff was not the controlling factor in the present depression, there could be no dispute that Americans had chosen a most inopportune time for that particular tariff enactment. Mr. Lamont declared that extreme pessimism was unwarranted and that the process of "winning through" the depression was already under way.

Mr. James Angell, professor of economics at Colombia University, described the United States as both the keystone in the international financial arch and the chief source of pressure on the world's foreign payment machinery. The strain, he said, could be relieved by revision of the inter-Allied debt settlement, further reconsideration of German reparations obligations, and reduction of tariffs. The United States was the worst offender in the matter of tariffs, and substantial reductions here would be followed by similar action by other nations. The world, he concluded, is waiting for the United States to show the way.

If the end of trade depression is just round the corner, as some of last night's speakers professed to believe, there are still no outward and visible signs of revival to the average observer.

MR. SMOOT DEFENDS THE TARIFF.

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

Senator Smoot (Republican, Utah), chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, to-day took issue with the current statements that the new Tariff is retarding business recuperation. Thousands of people, he stated, are at work with boot and shoe, textile, and other industries, who would be idle except for the new Tariff. Had it not been for the new Tariff, agricultural products would have flooded the country as a result of low prices in other countries. The purchasing power of the farmer is being sustained, thus creating more work for other people.—Exchange.

PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER'S SWIM FOR LIFE.

WRECKED IN FLIGHT TO SCENE OF DISASTER.

PARIS, Saturday.

The thrilling misadventures of a Press photographer are related by the newspaper "Excelsior" to-day, which publishes an account of the accident which happened to its reporter-photographer when flying on Thursday to the scene of the disaster at Lyons.

The machine had already been twice to the scene, and the pressman had taken photographs, when a petrol-pipe broke when the plane was near the River Saone. The pilot kept the machine from crashing, and guided it towards the river in order to avoid falling on the roof-tops of houses. The machine swept down so low over a bridge that pedestrians were obliged to crouch down in order to avoid being struck by its wings.

There was a strong stream running in the river, but the reporter succeeded in swimming to a projecting tree trunk, on which he managed to climb. The pilot, who could not swim, was kept afloat by his flying kit, which, inflated by air, acted as a life-buoy until he was picked up by a small boat.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S LACK OF MONEY.

CANAL SCHEME HELD UP.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

Great expectations have been attached for years to the construction of a Hansa Canal, which would connect by water the Ruhr district, which contains Germany's most extensive and valuable coalfields and iron and steel works, with her chief North Sea ports, Hamburg and Bremen.

The country that would be traversed by the Canal has been exhaustively surveyed, and plans are in an advanced state of preparation. But the work has now to be stopped, as, owing to the prevailing trade depression, funds to carry it on cannot be obtained.

PRISON FOR RAILWAY CONSTABLE.

A railway police-constable, James Baker, aged 44, of Queen's Road, Walthamstow, pleaded guilty at Old Street Police Court yesterday to stealing women's underclothes and three shirts, value £3 10s., 3[illegible] cigarettes and four fur coats value £35, belonging to the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company, from Broad Street goods depot.

He was sentenced to three months' hard labour on each of the two charges, the sentences to run consecutively.

INQUEST ON ALDERMAN.

Giving evidence at the East Ham inquest yesterday on Alderman Henry James Osborn (66), who died in hospital three months after he had been knocked down by a motor-car, Dr. L. A. Canaan said he thought that the accident had accelerated death. The inquest was adjourned.

MR. THOMAS AT THE PALACE.

CONFERENCE REPORT TO THE KING.

TO BROADCAST ON WEDNESDAY.

Mr. J. H. Thomas was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday morning, and remained with him for about an hour. The Dominions Secretary has been in close touch with the King throughout the Imperial Conference, and the SUNDAY TIMES understands that the object of his visit yesterday was to present to His Majesty a report on the work of the Conference.

The B.B.C. announces that Mr. Thomas will sum up the Imperial Conference in a talk which will be broadcast in the National programme on Wednesday at 10.15 p.m.

PRIME MINISTERS' TOUR.

A series of further tours for the Dominion Prime Ministers has been arranged by the British Empire League. These include visits to Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, Bradford, Liverpool, Sheffield, and Ireland.

The parties will be entertained by the civic authorities, and at Edinburgh the freedom of the city and the University degree of Hon D.C.L. will be conferred on the Prime Ministers of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. At Sheffield the freedom of the city will be conferred on the Prime Minister of Australia.

WATCHING BRITISH TALKIES.

A party of Dominion Prime Ministers and delegates yesterday watched several scenes of British films being "shot" at Elstree. The party spent about three hours examining the technique of film productions. Various actors and actresses, including Miss Fay Compton, Miss Ursula Jeans, Miss Adrienne Allen, Mr. Owen Nares, Mr. Norman McKinnell, and Mr. Laurence Olivier, who are starring in the various productions, were introduced to the delegates.

Speaking at luncheon, Mr. Scullin said he believed in the future of the British films, and his Government was anxious that they should make headway in Australia. "We are looking to the British film," he added, "to set the right standard of language and to speak the English language as it should be spoken. We are also anxious that it should set a standard of purity for the young people."

NEW BEER BILL.

THE USE OF BRITISH BARLEY.

The British Beer Bill, the text of which was issued yesterday, seeks to provide for the use of British ingredients in the manufacture of beer, and would extend the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act, 1928, to beer. Its main provision reads:—

"The Minister of Agriculture shall, on the first day of December in each year, after consideration of the state of the market in Great Britain with respect to beer and the constituents used in the manufacture thereof, prescribe a minimum percentage of British-grown barley and hops, and every brewer using not less than such percentage in the manufacture of beer during the year following that date, shall be entitled to mark such beer with such grade description mark as the Minister shall prescribe for indicating that such beer is of British origin; provided that the Minister may prescribe a percentage of both British and Empire malt and hops, and any brewer using in the manufacture of beer not less than such percentage shall be entitled to mark such beer with such grade description mark as the Minister shall prescribe for indicating that such beer is of British origin."

Brewers would have to make a return to the Minister showing the respective quantities of barley, barley-malt and hops used, and the place of origin, and penalties for non-observance are prescribed, that for making a false declaration being fixed at a maximum fine of £100.

The Bill is presented by Mr. Smith-Carington, and supported by Colonel Acland-Troyte, Captain Bourne, Mr. Butler, Mr. Hurd, Sir Joseph Lamb, Mr. Marjoribanks, Colonel Ruggles-Brise, Sir Ernest Shepperson, Mr. Turton, and Sir Victor Warrender.

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COWS ATTACK WOMAN.

REFUSED TO DESERT HER DOG.

Because she refused to desert her dog, Miss Bryant, a seventy-year-old woman of Lustleigh, near Newton Abbot, lies in a critical condition in Bovey Tracey Hospital, with injuries received on Friday when she was attacked by six cows.

Miss Bryant was walking along a path which leads through a field to her house. There were six cows in the meadow, and one of them, which had a calf with it, attacked a little dog which accompanied Miss Bryant on a lead. The other cows were attracted by the dog's barking, but Miss Bryant refused to let go of the dog's lead.

The animals knocked her down and trampled on her, dislocating her collar-bone and bruising her badly about the face and body.

She was found later by Jack Aggett, a gardener employed at her house. The dog's lead was still grasped in her hand, and the little dog was whimpering by her side.

Miss Bryant was taken to hospital, where she was stated yesterday to be fairly comfortable.

WHERE HELP IS NEEDED.

In its endeavour to get to grips with winter want the "Daily Sketch" Relief Fund has established free meal kitchens in many of the poor districts of London. Already thousands of the poor assemble at the kitchens. Whole families of respectable artisans are passing from secondary to primary poverty, and all too many of the workless are ex-Service men. First consideration is given to each case by the voluntary social workers who are entrusted by the "Daily Sketch" to select the recipients of meals and other forms of relief.

Donations should be addressed, Relief Editor, "Daily Sketch," 196, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1.

BUTCHERED BY BANDITS.

REPORTED MASSACRE IN CHINA.

BISHOP AND NUNS FLEE TO HILLS.

5,000 CAPTIVES HELD FOR RANSOM.

SHANGHAI, Saturday.

The "Red" bandits, commanded by the notorious Pang Teh-Huai and Generals Chu-Teh and Mao Chen-Tung, who last month captured Kianfu (Kiangsi Province) and seized a number of priests and nuns, were driven out of Kianfu by Government forces last week, states an unconfirmed report from Canton. The "Red" forces fled southward in the direction of Kanchow, and were hotly pursued by the Government troops.

The "Reds" are reported to have been headed off from Kanchow by a large force of Fukien troops from Foochow, with the result that they turned eastwards, and are now near the Kiangsi-Fukien border 20,000 strong.

PILLAGING THE COUNTRYSIDE.

During their retreat the "Reds" are stated to have passed through the town of Hsinpu, which they put to the fire and sword. In a few hours 2,000 men, women, and children were butchered, and 2,000 houses were in flames. Five thousand of the inhabitants were carried off for ransom.

The damage to property in Hsinpu is reported to amount to over four million dollars. On leaving Hsinpu the "Reds" continued their retreat, pillaging the countryside as they progressed. A brigade of Kwangtung troops left Canton for Kiangsi to join the Kiangsi and Fukien forces in an endeavour to surround and exterminate the "Reds."

ANOTHER VERSION.

At the headquarters of the Lazarist Mission here to-day, it was stated that information had just been received with regard to the depredations of bandits (who are believed to be defeated and retreating troops) in Shensi Province. The Lazarist Mission station, 90 miles from Han-chung-fu, in South-West Shansi, was attacked and looted by a large body of bandits.

Bishop Balconi, three fathers and six nuns, all of Italian nationality, made good their escape to the hills. But no news has been received of them since, and it is not known where they are.

As far as the Lazarist headquarters are aware, the "Reds" are still holding Kian-fu. However, the Mission received dispatches this morning from their mission station at Nanchang, in Kiangsi Province, dated last Tuesday, stating that "Reds" from the region of Poyang Lake captured and looted Fuchowki, fifty miles south-east of Nanchang, on Monday last.—Reuter.

WOMEN CAPTIVES.

ANXIETY AS TO FATE OF TWO MISSIONARIES.

HELSINGFORS, Saturday.

Nothing further has been heard of two Finnish women missionaries who were captured last month. There is grave anxiety as to their fate.

The Finnish Government has instructed the Legation at Shanghai to co-operate with the Chinese authorities in trying to trace these women.

This is the second time this year that Finnish women missionaries have fallen into the hands of Chinese bandits; three were murdered last February.—Reuter.

BABY LOWERED FROM WINDOW.

SHOPS WRECKED BY GAS EXPLOSION.

Three people were injured in a gas explosion which wrecked two shops in the Attercliffe district of Sheffield during the early hours of yesterday morning. The explosion occurred at the fruiterer's shop of Mr. J. Booth, of 864, Attercliffe Road, who lived on the premises with his wife and three children.

Mrs. Booth was awakened during the night by the cries of the baby, Peter, who had been taken ill. Leaving her bedroom to see what was the matter, the mother lit a candle, and, upon opening the bedroom door, there was a blinding flash, followed by a terrific explosion. The shop was wrecked.

Mrs. Booth fell into the room below, while their two other children, Margaret, aged 14, and Betty 9, were also precipitated to the lower floor.

Mr. Booth succeeded in rescuing the baby, whom he lowered from the bedroom window with the aid of a sheet to neighbours in the street. The damage was not confined only to his shop, for the shop of Mr. A. J. Horton, hardware dealer, next door, suffered. The furniture and shop fittings in both establishments were smashed. Windows were blown out, and practically everything was ruined. Fire followed the explosion, but was quickly extinguished.

Mrs. Booth and her two children, Margaret and Betty, were taken to hospital suffering from shock and burns, but after treatment were discharged. The cause of the explosion is a mystery, for the gas supply at the shop had been cut off.

WORK FOR BRITISH SHIPYARDS.

PORTUGAL'S NEW NAVY.

LISBON, Saturday.

Four British naval experts arrived here to-day to confer with the naval authorities here with regard to the Portuguese naval programme.—Reuter.

There is reason to believe that the bulk of the new tonnage authorised by the Government will be constructed in British yards. Tenders for the work were invited from British, French, and Italian shipyards. British experts have recently held long conferences with the Minister of Marine and with various persons connected with aviation.—Central News.

SUICIDE IMPULSE.

YOUNG WIFE'S DEATH FROM RAT POISON.

A young wife's suicide by taking rat poison was described at the Leytonstone inquest yesterday on Mrs Phyllis Adams, aged 24, the wife of a steam-pipe fitter, of Goodall Road, Leytonstone.

Evidence showed that she went out on Tuesday to get her husband some cigarettes. Later she sent a boy to her husband with a note, and immediately afterwards a man came to tell the husband that his wife wanted him. Going to a nearby house, the husband found her violently shivering. She denied having taken anything, but afterwards told a woman that she had swallowed some rat poison. Taken to hospital, Mrs. Adams died almost immediately from strychnine poisoning.

Recording a verdict of "Suicide," the coroner, Dr. A. Ambrose, said that the woman was of a nervous disposition, and must have taken the poison on a sudden impulse.

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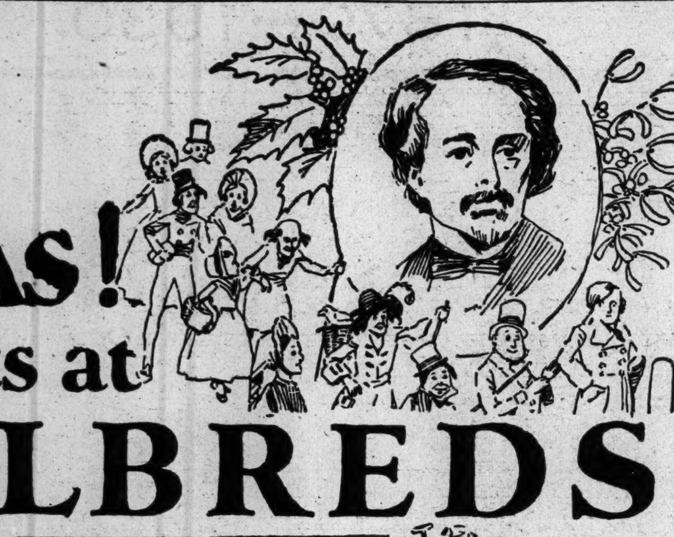

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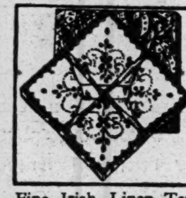

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BRITAIN'S PICTURE NEWSPAPER

BOOTLEGGING IN GERMANY.

MOTOR-BOAT WITH LIQUOR TANKS.

CANAL SMUGGLER ON TRIAL.

ALCOHOL FROM THE FREE PORT.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

Early next week the trial begins of the eighteen persons charged with defrauding the revenue by smuggling through other German ports alcohol purchased in the Free Port of Danzig.

The scheme was started in a spirit of adventure by an engineer named Bauer, who had a motor-boat specially constructed with secret tanks and with this he smuggled alcohol up the main German rivers under the very noses of the Customs officials. The motor-boat, which was named Inge, did not bring the alcohol from Danzig, otherwise attention would have been attracted to it.

The alcohol for export was loaded at Danzig into ordinary vessels, and these, acting on secret orders, met the Inge off one of the lonely islands in the Baltic and transferred to the motor-boat's secret tanks as much liquor as these would hold. The Inge then, in the most casual manner, followed one of the waterways into the interior, as if on a pleasure cruise, and finally landed the alcohol at sawmills or other waterside works belonging to the firm that financed Bauer.

The construction of the Inge and the organisation of the plan cost large sums of money, but the profits were enormous. The export price of alcohol purchased in the Free Port of Danzig was 38 pfennigs per litre (about a shilling a gallon) and, alcohol being a Government monopoly, the selling price in Germany is 4 marks per litre, over ten times as much. The Inge made twelve successful smuggling trips, and each time she carried 3,000 litres.

The accused include, besides the principals, Engineer Bauer and his financial supporters, the crew of the Inge, and several fishermen who are charged with complicity. Sixty witnesses have been summoned, and the trial may last a considerable time.

TUG OF WAR WITH A CROCODILE.

VAIN EFFORT TO SAVE A BOY.

BULAWAYO, Saturday.

While bathing in a recognised pool attached to the Zambesi Boat Club, near Livingstone, to-day, a European lad named Van Staden was seized by a crocodile. His body has not been recovered.

The pool is a few miles above Victoria Falls, and the space which is enclosed for bathing is used by hundreds of people daily in the summer.

Van Staden was seen hanging on to the wires of the enclosure, and a man named Pemberton jumped into the water, fully clothed, in an effort to rescue him. By the time he reached him the boy had disappeared. Mr. Pemberton, diving, seized him, and tried to pull him up, but was himself dragged under by the reptile, and had to relinquish his hold.—Exchange.

SOVIET DUMPING.

STATESMEN BACK SCHEME FOR RESTRICTION.

The scheme to check the flooding of this country with cheap Soviet goods (which the "Daily Dispatch" recently announced) has aroused keen interest in trade and political circles here.

Briefly the proposal aims at controlling trade with Russia from this country by a system of licences—a method that is already working satisfactorily in France. Under the scheme, sales of Soviet goods in this country would be regulated by the amount of purchases which Soviet Russia makes from us. Licences would be issued to all applicants who presented the necessary shipping documents, subject to the condition that the total amount of the licences issued up to any given date would not exceed the value of the total exports from this country to Russia during the same period.

The dumping evil is causing acute anxiety, for the fact is that Soviet goods are being shipped to this country and offered at prices with which British employers find it impossible to compete. The injustice will be more fully realised (the "Daily Dispatch" states) when it is pointed out that these dumped goods are made by convicts in Soviet prisons or by Soviet workers who live in conditions little better than slavery

Despite the assertion of the President of the Board of Trade (Mr. W. Graham) in the House of Commons, that any step of this kind would do our aggregate trade more harm than good, the scheme has the enthusiastic support of Lord Brentford, Mr. A. M. Samuel (formerly Financial Secretary to the Treasury and Secretary to the Overseas Trade Department), Mr. S. S. Hammersley, M.P., Mr. Douglas Hacking, M.P., Colonel Heneage, M.P., and many other prominent politicians and business men

MAIL AND STEAMSHIP NEWS.

THE MAILS.

ALAUNIA (Cunard) London for Montreal arrived Southampton, 15.
CALGARY (Brit. and African) from Montreal arrived Lourenço Marques 15.
CATHAY (P. and O.) London for Brisbane left Sydney, 15.
CITY OF LAHORE (Ell. Hall) for Calcutta left Mersey, 15.
DAGOMBA (Brit. and African) for West Africa left Mersey, 15.
FULDA (N. D. L.) from Bremen arrived Manila, 15.
GLOUCESTERSHIRE (Bibby) for Rangoon left Mersey 15.
INGO (N.D.L.) from Hamburg arrived Walvis Bay, 15.
KALYAN (P. and O.) London for Yokohama arrived Singapore, 15.
KASHMIR (P. and O.), London for Yokohama left Southampton, 15
KONINGEN DER NEDERLANDEN (Nederland) from Batavia arrived Belawandeli, 15.
MAGDEBURG (H. A. L.) for Sydney left Brisbane, 15.
MONTCALM (Canadian Pacific) Clyde for Montreal arrived Belfast, 15.
NAGPORE (P. and O.) Otaru for London left Hong Kong, 15.
NARRABOOL (P and O.) Brisbane for London left Sydney, 15.
NEVISIAN (Leyland) from Charleston arrived Mersey, 15.
NUDDEA (B.I.) for Dunkirk left Adelaide, 15.
ORAMA (Orient) London for Brisbane left Adelaide, 15.
ORONSAY (Orient) Brisbane for London left Brisbane, 15.
ORFORD (Orient) London for Brisbane arrived Colombo, 15.
PORT ADELAIDE (C. and D.) for Sydney left Brisbane, 15.
PORT NICHOLSON (C. and D.) for New Plymouth left Wanganui, 15.
RAWALPINDI (P. and O.) London for Yokohama arrived Kobe, 15.
YORKSHIRE (Bibby) Rangoon for Tilbury Dock passed Gravesend 15.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

CANADIAN CONSTRUCTOR from Montreal arrived Wellington, 15.
CONCORDIA from Balikpapan arrived Fremantle, 15.
CONTE BEAUCAMANO from New York arrived Gibraltar, 15.
GLAUSUS for Yokohama left Liverpool, 15.
MANORDILLO from Leningrad arrived Victoria Dock, 15.
TEMPLAR from Befle arrived Sydney, 15.

SPIES IN DYE TRUST.

"BLACK LIST" OF 18,000 NAMES.

GERMAN CHEMISTS SENT TO PRISON.

COLOGNE, Saturday.

Reference was made to the I. G. Farben Industrie's (German Dye Trust) activities abroad during the trial at Düsseldorff this week of three chemists charged with betraying to foreign agents certain secret processes of the German chemical industry.

Counsel for one of the defendants asked a witness if he was aware that the I. G. Farben Industrie did business abroad with its dyestuff patents, and that the Baden Aniline Works, one of the Trust's subsidiary companies, had sold patents, which were of great importance for the defence of Germany, to foreign countries. He further asked if he knew that the I. G. Farben Industrie was connected with a British group and an American oil company.

These questions caused counsel representing I. G. Farben Industrie to protest that matters were being published which were the secrets of the Trust directors.

At a later stage, the head of the Anti-Espionage Department maintained by the I. G. Farben Industrie revealed that his Department's card index contained the names of 18,000 persons of foreign nationality who traffic in secret industrial processes.

SOLD TO GERMAN-AMERICAN.

The three accused chemists, Dr. Buntrock, Dr. List, and Dr. Jonsen, are all over sixty years of age. The two latter maintained that they had furnished Dr. Buntrock with formulæ to which they had access for publication only in the technical journal which he edited.

Dr. Buntrock, however, appears to have sold them to a German-American, named Guido Meissel, of Portsmouth, U.S.A. Meissel, with two other men, was sentenced to a term of imprisonment at Dusseldorf in 1928. At that time Buntrock was "wanted," but fled to Czecho-Slovakia. He was arrested in Germany this year.

At the conclusion of the trial this morning, Dr. Buntrock, the principal defendant, was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment and fined £100; Dr. Jonsen to three months' imprisonment and fined £150. Judgment against Dr. List has not yet been pronounced.—Reuter.

SHOT IN CITY BANK.

MYSTERY OF HOW PISTOL WAS LOADED.

"My very precaution actually loaded the thing," said a witness at the inquest yesterday on the body of Donald Fox, the young clerk who was shot in the premises of the Dominion, Colonial, and Overseas Branch of Barclays Bank, Gracechurch Street, E.C., on Thursday.

The witness was Peter Alfred Norman, another bank clerk, of Warwick Square, S.W. He said he was the owner of a .32 automatic pistol, which he used for target practice and for rabbit-shooting. On Thursday, during the luncheon hour, he went to a shooting range for some practice. After the pistol had been cleaned he put it in his pocket and returned to the bank, where he spoke to Fox and another clerk. One of them asked to see the pistol. As a precaution he slipped the magazine out, and slipped the breech back as a further precaution. In so doing a loose cartridge in his pocket must have slipped into the breech.

"My very precaution actually loaded the thing," Mr. Norman said. "Fox and some other clerks were examining it when there was a report, and I saw Fox put his hand to his chest and stagger."

William Ward, of Thornton Avenue, Streatham Hill, another bank clerk, said that when Norman came up to where Fox was standing, Norman took the pistol out of his pocket and slipped the magazine out.

"I examined the pistol," said Ward, "and we pointed it at one another. We pulled the trigger several times, but nothing happened. Suddenly it went off."

Ward added that it was difficult to remember in whose possession the pistol was when it went off. He might have had his own hand on it at the time.

A partner in a firm of gunsmiths said that the only theory he could advance as to the cause of the pistol being fired was that a cartridge must have slipped into the breech.

The Coroner returned a verdict of "Death by misadventure."

A STOCKJOBBER'S DEATH.

INQUEST ADJOURNED.

When the inquest was opened at Twickenham last night on the body of Digby E. Bennett, a stockjobber, of Palewell Park, East Sheen, the coroner (Dr. J. S. Crone) said that owing to the peculiar circumstances connected with Mr. Bennett's death Dr. Bronte had been called in and had made a post-mortem examination. As a result some of the organs of the body were to be analysed The inquest would accordingly be adjourned for a month.

Only evidence of identification was given. Mrs. Dorothy May Bennett said that her husband, who was 49 years of age, was admitted to a nursing home at Twickenham on November 6, after he had been in hospital at Richmond. He died suddenly on Wednesday last.

J.P.'S LONG HOURS.

BAKER WHO WORKED FROM 1 A.M. TO 10 P.M.

An appeal to a manager to retain the services of an employee was made yesterday by Mr. F. S. Mallet, chairman at Wimbledon Police Court, when Albert Edward Ward (23), a roundsman, of Leyton Road, Wimbledon, pleaded guilty to having stolen a quantity of fruit, valued at 1s. 10d., from his employer, C. J. Phillips, of High Street, Wimbledon.

Detective Champion stated that Ward courted a cook at a house in Marryat Road, Wimbledon, and apparently paid his affection in fruit.

After having discharged Ward with a caution, the Chairman said: The cook should be here with him. This trouble has been brought about by negligence of the firm, and we think that you should give the lad another start.

Mr. Arthur Terry (manager of the fruit business): I shall not retain his services. I start work at 3 a.m. and finish at 6 p.m.

The Chairman: I started at 1 a.m. and finished at 10 p.m., so I can match you. If you won't employ this lad you are not the man I would employ.

It was stated in evidence that Ward collected orders and packed them himself without any supervision.

The Chairman of the Bench is a retired master baker; hence his long hours.

A NEW MAID OR MANSERVANT?—The help you require may be found in the Situations Bureau columns of the SUNDAY TIMES, or obtainable by advertising for it. The rate is 1s. a line. See page 29.

JUSTICE FOR CROMWELL.

SUGGESTED RE-BURIAL IN THE ABBEY.

RIGHTING A WRONG

"NATIONAL ACT OF ATONEMENT."

The time has come for a great wrong to be righted—for Oliver Cromwell, the greatest Englishman who ever steered the ship of State, to be given a national burial in Westminster Abbey.

This proposal is made in the December issue of "My Magazine" (Amalgamated Press, 1s. 6d.), which thus recalls the happenings of the seventeenth century:—

Eight generations have passed since there was committed in this country an act of revenge which seems to us incredible now. Oliver Cromwell, who has been described as the greatest, because the most typical, Englishman of all time, was buried among the kings, he lay in the most beautiful place that London possesses, Henry the Seventh's Chapel.

In eighteen months his body was dragged from its grave and hanged on Tyburn. When the remains were removed from Tyburn the head was stuck on a pole on Westminster Hall, where it stayed for twenty-five years, until at last it was blown into the road by an angry wind. It was picked up by a sentry, and is said to have been hawked about by a showman.

To-day the head of Cromwell is in good hands and in safe keeping, and it is more than time for the great national Act of Atonement which will restore it to its grave in the Abbey.

It is urged that there could be no more solemn spectacle than the national burial of Cromwell with the fame and glory of 300 years upon his name.

AN ACT OF ATONEMENT.

"We believe," it is added, "that this Act of Atonement would have behind it the approval of all men and women of good will, and it needs but the consent of three men to carry it into effect. They are:—

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who would act for the nation, and would, we may be sure, be in full sympathy.

The Dean of Westminster, who has proudly maintained the Abbey as a spiritual centre of our national life, and would doubtless be willing.

Mr. Horace Wilkinson, whose family has carefully preserved the head for generations, and who would doubtless present to the nation the most interesting relic existing in the kingdom.

"My Magazine" makes this proposal the principal feature of its Christmas issue, and declares that it is convinced that the head in Mr. Wilkinson's possession is Cromwell's. The whereabouts of the rest of his remains, it is observed, is not so certain.

THE MAYOR'S LETTER

THINGS HE DID NOT KNOW ABOUT A THIEF.

A letter from the Mayor of Greenwich was produced by Joseph Richardson, a 52-year-old painter, of Troughton Road, Woolwich, when he was about to be sentenced at Marylebone Police Court for stealing plated goods from a house at West Hampstead. The magistrate (Mr. Hay Halkett), having read the letter, said: "I don't suppose the Mayor knows anything about you. You didn't tell him, did you, that you had been convicted over and over again?"—The man agreed.

"No," added the magistrate; "he thought you were a man of good character."

Detective Burney produced many convictions against Richardson, and described him as a man who lived at Woolwich, but made a habit of "working" the Hampstead district. One of his convictions was for posing as a collector for the Hendon dustmen's outing.

Richardson was sentenced to three months hard labour.

AGED WOMAN'S FATE.

HAIR CUT OFF BEFORE HER DEATH.

The mysterious death of an aged woman, who for some unexplained reason had cut off her luxurious hair, was investigated yesterday at an inquest at Leytonstone on Mrs. Harriet Daly.

Mrs. Daly, who was 73, had lodged at a house in Belgrave Road, Plaistow. Her landlady, Mrs. Bolton, said that last week-end the woman became curious in her manner and speech. She refused people admission to her room, and on Monday when a woman visitor and the relieving officer called she would not answer the door. The police were called and the door was broken open, and Mrs. Daly was found lying on the floor. She was hardly recognisable, as she had previously had a lovely head of natural hair, but when discovered was completely bald. There were wounds on the face.

Mrs. Daly died in hospital from heart failure due to shock apparently caused by a fall. The relieving officer told Dr. Ambrose, the coroner, that he had no power to enter the woman's room, and was in a dilemma, as he feared that if he had done so the shock might have been too great for her.

Dr. Ambrose recorded a verdict of "Accidental death."

ALLEGED EMPLOYMENT FRAUDS.

ACCUSED SENT FOR TRIAL.

The hearing was concluded, before Mr. Boyd at the Westminster Police Court yesterday, of the evidence in the charges against Joan Freedman Laidlaw (38), interpreter, of Thayer Street, W.; Clarence Charles Popham (29), mortgage broken no fixed abode; and Brunel White (38), agent, Barrington Road, Brixton, of conspiring to obtain money and valuable securities by false pretences from John Morgan, of Porthcawl Glamorgan, and Samuel Luther Diggory, of St. Stephen's Avenue, Ealing.

It is alleged that the accused induced the prosecutors to enter into employment agreements to take shares in a firm known as Pitts, Tucker, Ltd., Sloane Street, S.W., and to pay deposits to the defendant Laidlaw there. The employment was represented to be in connection with the management of an estate.

Evidence has already been given at great length, and yesterday the three defendants were committed for trial, bail being refused.

MOTOR-BUS BURNED DOWN.

A thirty-two seater motor-bus was destroyed by fire yesterday on the road between Balfron and Killearn, Stirlingshire. The fire lasted about three hours, and traffic was held up for about three-quarters of an hour.

All the passengers escaped injury.

ALLEGED COINING DEN.

Following a visit by detectives to a house in Myrtle Street, Hoxton, yesterday, three men were taken into custody and charged in connection with the manufacture of spurious coins.

The detectives made a complete search of the house, where, it is alleged, counterfeit coins, moulds, and other tools were found. The men will appear at Old Street Police-court on Monday.

THE PARIS "KERB MARKET."

DRASTIC RE-ORGANISATION SCHEME.

PROTECTING THE INVESTOR.

PARIS, Saturday.

The French Government's plan to reform the Paris "kerb market" is now nearly complete. The reforms in view, which are understood to have been mainly drafted by the Minister of Finance apply not to the official Stock Market or "Parquet," where only public and other gilt-edged securities are quoted, and which is organised on a thoroughly sound basis, but to the "Coulisse," which is the domain of speculative investment.

It is proposed to reorganise the kerb market on the lines of the official stock market. The principal feature is to be the introduction of a mutual guarantee of brokerage funds out of a Common Fund, to which all members of the Kerb Market Association will be obliged to subscribe.

This system already exists on the official market. Henceforward, if a broker on the kerb market receives cash from a customer to carry out a purchase order and then fails financially, the cash will be refunded to the customer by the Brokers' Association.

A BIGGER BOURSE.

Other reforms will include the merger of the two existing Kerb Brokers' Associations into one with strict control by a governing body, and the enlargement of the premises of the Bourse to house the kerb market, which is at present carried on—a chaotic mass of humanity on the steps of the building.

New regulations will be made for the introduction of foreign securities for quotation on the Paris market. Hitherto application for permission to introduce a foreign security had to be made to the Minister of Finance, and this has led to "red tape" and long delays. In future application will be made to the Brokers' Association, which will address its recommendations to the Minister of Finance.

It is proposed also that the law enacted last June for prohibiting undischarged bankrupts, and persons who have served terms of imprisonment for fraud and similar offences, from carrying on brokerage transactions shall be extended to company directors and managers.

It is anticipated that the non-professional investor will be better protected in future against "sharps" and charlatans.—Reuter.

FRAUD CASE RECALLED.

INQUEST ON WALTER MANDEVILLE.

At the inquest on the body of Walter Mandeville (56), a central figure in an Old Bailey case that attracted widespread attention four years ago, whose body was recovered from the Thames at Isleworth on Thursday, a verdict of "Found drowned" was returned.

Mandeville was sentenced to six years' penal servitude in January, 1926, for his association with alleged "bucket shop" frauds. With others, he was charged with conspiring by false pretences to acquire large sums from persons who should be induced to entrust money for investment. According to the Official Receiver £500,000 was a modest estimate of the amount obtained from the public by means of companies in which the defendants were interested.

Roy Mandeville, a musician, of Oxford Terrace, Edgware Road, said that the dead man, his father, left Maidstone Prison on ticket of leave on July 7.

"Since then he had been depressed," said Mr. Mandeville, "but I have never heard him threaten to commit suicide."

Arthur Priest, a company director, of Sussex Place, S.W., said that on November 13 he was on the slipway of Gordon's boathouse, Isleworth, when he saw a body half floating and half grounded in the river, just off the shore.

Dr. Sargeant, divisional police surgeon, said that there were no marks of violence on the body, and the cause of death was suffocation from drowning.

Dr. J. S. Crone, deputy coroner, said that there was no evidence of a threat to commit suicide, or of insanity in the family, and he would be obliged to return an open verdict of found drowned.

HOUSES AND LANDS.

FLATS IN NORTH-WEST LONDON.

Marylebone Circus has become an important centre in North-West London, and there are to be found a number of residential flats suited to people of moderate means who, while appreciating its nearness to Regent's Park, realise the advantage of being so close to the West End of Town. Chief amongst the accommodation offered is that at Chiltern Court, adjoining Baker Street Station, where a new wing has recently been completed and is now ready for inspection. Inclusive rents range from £225 per annum.

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A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Sunday Times

No. 421.] LONDON, SUNDAY, NOV. 14, 1830. [Price 7d.

Lord Morpeth presented a petition to the House of Commons on Friday praying for the abolition, or, at least, a material reduction, of the stamp duty on newspapers.

While the butchers charge high in London, the farmers in Essex get only three-pence per pound for whatever they send up to the salesmen—lamb, beef, mutton, and veal. Some Essex farmers suffer so much that they propose to have a Mart in Whitechapel.

It has been announced to the Literary Fund that His Majesty, in consequence of the many charities to which he subscribes, cannot give so large a sum as 200 guineas a year in aid of its means; but, aware of the great merit of the institution, a subscription to half that amount will be annually forwarded by command.

The completion of the Royal Palace at Buckingham Gate, after an expenditure of nearly one million of money, is ordered to be suspended as his present Majesty does not intend to reside there. In the present depreciated condition of the finances of the country, the King is perfectly satisfied with St. James's Palace.

A splendid ballet, called *Les Trois Sultanes*, was produced at Drury Lane on Monday. A Miss Rosalie Guet (from Paris), French all over, made her début as one of the *Sultanes*. She danced exquisitely, but (the truth must out) her petticoats were too short (*pour les Anglaises*), and this caused some displeasure to be expressed.

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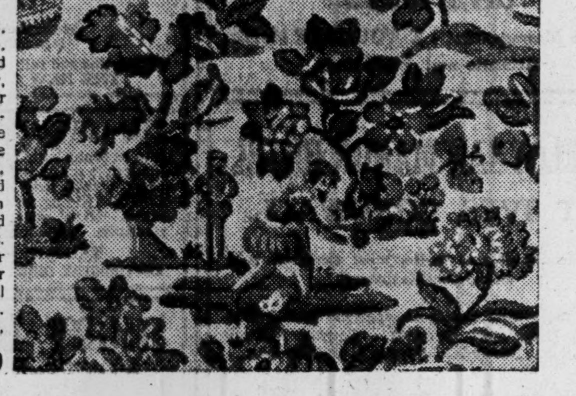

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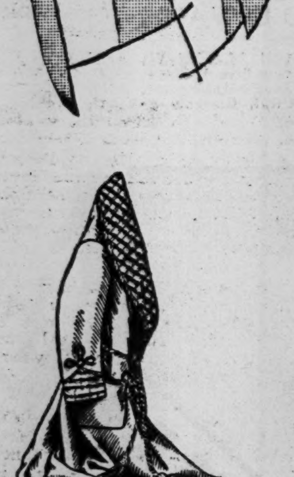

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POLAND POLLS TO-DAY.

TWENTY-TWO PARTIES

CONSTITUTION REFORM.

AIM OF THE PILSUDSKI BLOC.

By A POLISH CORRESPONDENT.

The Polish Constitution established a two-chamber Parliament, the Sejm, corresponding with the House of Lords, composed of 444 elected members, for which elections are being held to-day, and the Senate, composed of 111 members, for which elections will be held next Sunday.

From the juridical point of view the Sejm enjoys full legislative power, while the Senate's power is somewhat limited. It may be said that practically the Sejm has the same kind of supremacy over the Senate as the House of Commons has over the House of Lords.

During the last elections, held in 1928, the Government party obtained 130 seats, the Nationalist and Christian Democratic parties of the Right obtained 50 seats, the Socialists and Radical Peasant parties (ranged in five mutually opposed parties) 180 seats, the National Minorities 70 seats, and the Communists 15 seats.

CONFLICT WITH OPPOSITION.

Although the Government did not secure an independent majority, it remained in power because of the inability of the Opposition parties to agree between themselves on any programme. As time went on the conflict between the Government and the Opposition became more acute, and rendered the work of Parliament impossible. In the summer of last year six of the Opposition parties assembled in congress in Kraków and resolved upon a determined campaign against the Government. The resolutions of the congress, directed not only against the Government, but also against the person of the President of the Republic, were considered by the authorities as illegal, and led, after the dissolution of Parliament, which deprived ex-members of their immunity, to the arrest of a certain number of former deputies. The dissolution of Parliament was decided upon when it became clear that the Opposition parties, reinforced by the Communists and National Minorities, would bring the Government down without being able to form an alternative Administration.

At to-day's elections twenty-two parties present their "lists" to the electors—the system of P.R. is similar to that adopted in Germany—but only a few of them have any chance to win a larger number of seats. The principal party is represented by the "Bloc of Co-operation with the Government," whose chief candidate is Marshal Pilsudski himself. The main purpose of the "Bloc," which is composed of heterogeneous both Radical and Conservative elements, is a reform of the Constitution which would increase the authority of the President of the Republic and of the Government, and thus secure for Poland a certain continuity and responsibility of administration. The electoral "lists" of this "Bloc" embrace not only Poles, but also a certain number of Jews and Ukrainians.

PARLIAMENT'S CLAIM.

The principal opponent of this "Bloc" is the union of the Opposition parties of the Left—Socialists and Radical Peasants and Centre, Moderate Peasants and National Labour—which parties, in order to avoid the scattering of votes, prepared a common "list," with the Speaker of the Sejm, Daszynski, at its head. This "list" may count on some success in the agricultural districts of the central provinces. The main point in the Opposition programme is the "defence of democracy," by which is understood the maintenance of the Constitution in its present form, which gives to Parliament complete supremacy over both the Government and the President of the Republic. The Opposition parties of the Right will certainly win a large vote in the western provinces and in the big cities.

As far as the National Minorities are concerned, it may be said that, for the first time, the various parties by which the National Minorities are represented failed to reach an agreement, and are appealing to the electors separately, which will certainly diminish the number of seats formerly held by National Minorities deputies. The Ukrainians will probably maintain their numbers, whereas the Germans, who go to the elections unaided, and the Jews, who are disunited and put forward five separate lists, will lose a number of seats.

GOVERNMENT CONFIDENCE.

The chances of the Communists are insignificant. The Communists would hardly win more than five or six seats in the largest towns. The prospects of to-day's elections are difficult to define. The deciding issue is whether the Government Bloc will obtain an independent majority—223 seats—or not. If it does, it will be possible to expect a fruitful co-operation of the Government with Parliament, which will finally redeem the deadlock of the last few years. Should the Government Bloc fail to obtain an independent majority, it is doubtful whether Marshal Pilsudski's Cabinet will resign. The position of Marshal Pilsudski is unique. He is not only Prime Minister, but a national leader, a national hero, almost a national institution He has the full support of the Army and the Civil Service, and it is certain that he would not resign power and give place to party politicians who are united in opposing him, but who are quite incapable of working together on a definite programme It may be said that in the concluding weeks of the electoral campaign the leaders of the Government party have been proclaiming with increased optimism their confidence of winning elections.

LIMITS TO A DESIRE FOR PEACE.

POLISH PARTITION WOULD BE RESISTED.

WARSAW, Saturday.

M. Zaleski, Minister for Foreign Affairs, in a speech yesterday, said that the maintenance of peace occupied the chief place in the foreign policy of Poland. Imperialism and a desire for annexation were completely foreign to the traditions and history of Poland. There were, however, limits to a desire for peace which were influenced by considerations of legitimate defence. For this reason there should be a guarantee against aggression, and disarmament should be preceded by international security.

The Minister declared that they would never consent to build a world peace at the price of a new partition of Poland.—Reuter.

DEPUTIES IN GAOL.

ARMY HISTORY STUDY PERMITTED.

According to advices from Opposition sources in Warsaw, about eighty deputies of the Opposition parties in Poland have been in gaol at Brest Litovsk for some months now, awaiting trial on the most trivial charges, writes Reuter's Berlin correspondent.

A Polish journalist who was allowed to enter the gaol to visit them was at first, by a misunderstanding, put in a cell himself, but was finally permitted to see some of the deputies, who, he relates, are confined in small cells each with an iron bed, a straw sack and a bed cover.

The deputies have had their heads shaved, wear no collars and no boot laces. The only literature allowed them is a book on the history of the Polish Army.

WORLD'S DEAREST AIR ROUTE.

MILLION POUNDS FOR CAPE SERVICE.

NEW AERODROMES IN AFRICA.

By OUR AIR CORRESPONDENT.

Great Britain's newest airway—the 8,000 mile route from London to the Cape—is going to cost Imperial Airways, and, indirectly, the Government, approximately £1,000,000. It will be the most minutely planned and the most expensive air route in the world, for before even the first machine sets out for South Africa at the beginning of next year the organisation of the route will have cost about £125 per mile.

Half of the money is being expended on the biggest fleet of air liners ever constructed. To-morrow the first of the fleet will take the air on its official trials. It is the Handley-Page 40-seater craft which has been built expressly for the Cape route. Eight similar machines are being built at a total cost of £200,000. A fleet of large flying boats, which, as stated exclusively in the SUNDAY TIMES, are being built at Rochester, are expected to cost a similar sum.

EMERGENCY LANDING-GROUNDS.

Yesterday I was given details of the organisation of the new route by an official at Imperial Airways. The first section of the line, from London to Cairo, runs on exactly the same route as the present Indian air mail.

Across the 5,700 miles of Africa, however, the whole route has been newly organised. Twenty-seven aerodromes have been found, surveyed and prepared, and thirty emergency landing grounds, complete with landing flares and emergency apparatus, are placed at intervals between the regular aerodromes. All the main aerodromes, too, have been equipped with radio apparatus, so that throughout the flight at least two radio stations will be in touch with each machine. At eight or nine of the regular aerodromes, it has been necessary to erect hotel accommodation for passengers flying over the route.

TRAINING AT LONDON AIR PORT.

The staff for the new route, exclusive of pilots, will number three or four hundred men. For the past few months men have been in training at the London Airport, Croydon, in all branches of ground organisation, radio, engineering, maintenance, and even hotel management.

A corps of meterological experts has also been selected for the African section of the route.

THE "NOAH'S ARK CLUB."

A NOVEL SOCIETY.

The most original club in Spain, possibly in all Europe, exists in Barcelona (says Reuter's Madrid correspondent). It is called the "Noah's Ark Club," and welcomes as members all whose surname corresponds to the name of a bird or an animal.

The club was founded in a moment of inspiration by two friends, Senor Ciervo (Deer), a well-known art critic, and Don Santiago Rusinol (Nightingale), a Barcelona dramatist. They were discussing one day the fact that in Spain one of the worst insults possible is to call a person an "animal," and also the peculiar prejudice which Spaniards have against calling an animal by a Christian name. It occurred to them that it would be a good idea if those who were continually being chaffed about their surnames because of their coincidence with the name of some animal should band together in self-defence.

An advertisement was put into a newspaper describing the formation of the club, and a surprising number of replies was received. Soon no less than sixty persons had "come into the Ark." Among the surnames which found their way into the membership lists were the Spanish equivalents of Tiger, Pig, Goat, Dove, Sheep, Rabbit, Lion, Eagle, and Cow. Unlike Noah, the organisers did not limit entries into the Ark to two of each "species." Thus there are six brothers named Bull, members of the club.

The members of the club pride themselves on their contempt for convention and superstitions. Their meetings are held on Tuesday—the unlucky day for festivities, according to Spanish tradition. Monthly banquets are held by the club in a restaurant situated but a stone's throw from the zoological gardens, and on festive occasions the members, accompanied by a band, make a triumphal tour of the zoo, each member carrying a tasty morsel to offer to his particular namesake.

REPORTING MEETINGS.

BILL TO IMPROVE PRESS FACILITIES.

M.P.s belonging to the three parties are among the supporters of Mr. Ede's Bill to amend the law relating to the admission of the Press to meetings of local authorities, the text of which was issued yesterday.

The Bill proposes to repeal and re-enact with amendments the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press to Meetings) Act, 1908, the main purpose of the amendments being to bring the law as to admission of the Press into conformity with the changes in local government effected by the Local Government Act, 1929, and the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1929.

The opportunity has been taken to introduce amendments suggested by experience of the working of the Act of 1908. It is proposed to abolish the existing restriction on the attendance of the Press at meetings of an education committee; and that a meeting of a committee consisting of the whole of the members of an authority shall be regarded as a meeting of the authority.

WOMAN THIEF DEFENDS HER HUSBAND.

"NOT A WORD ABOUT HIM!"

A woman convicted of theft defended her husband in a dramatic outburst at Old Street Police Court yesterday.

There were several previous convictions against her, and the magistrate said that from what he had been told he believed it was the husband's fault.

The woman: Give me a chance to defend myself. Say what you like about me, but not a word about my husband. I can produce twenty of the finest characters for him.

It was stated that the woman, Catherine Romaine Jones, aged 38, described as a shorthand typist, of Clifford Avenue, East Sheen, had been in unlawful possession of a man's shirt and three collars at Finsbury Square, and had failed to give a satisfactory account of them. She said they were given to her by a casual business acquaintance.

When Mr. Snell sentenced her to prison for two months with hard labour she said: "You wait until I come out; I will give you hard labour, low-down-bred swine that you are!"

FATAL DISOBEDIENCE.

Evidence at the inquest at Friern Barnet yesterday on Graham Wilson (10), who was knocked down and fatally injured while crossing High Road, Whetstone, showed that the boy, who, with other schoolboys, was on his way to football, disobeyed orders and went ahead of the master in charge of the party. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

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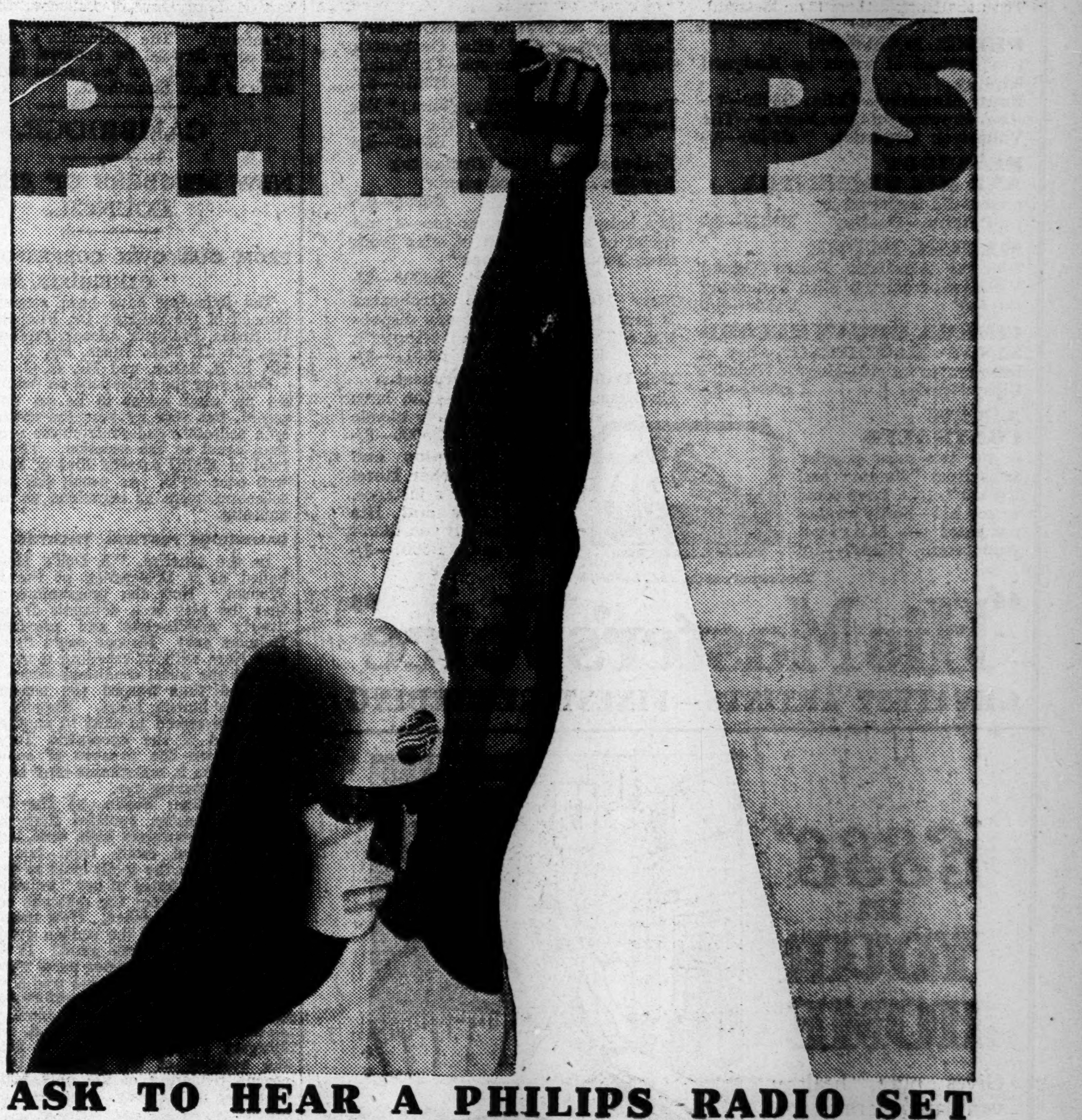

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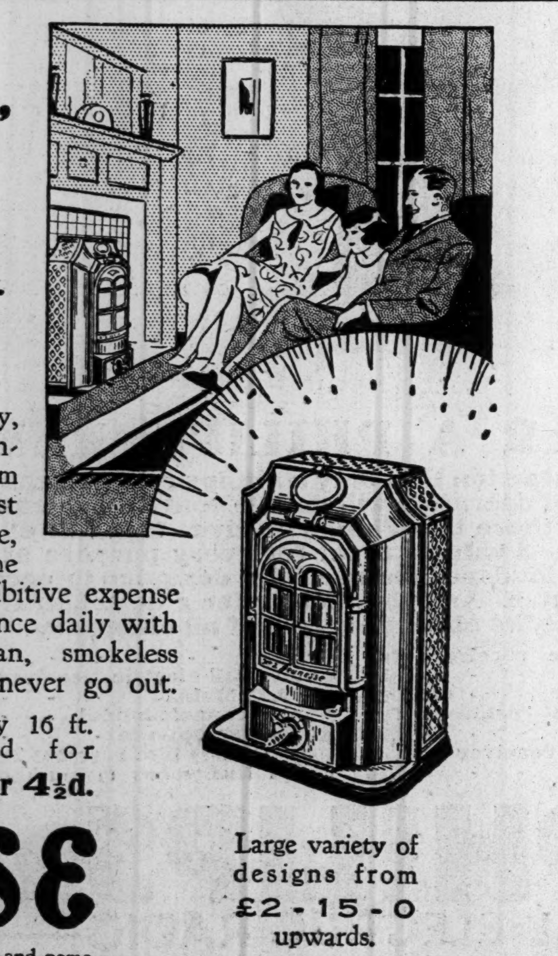

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THE UNIVERSITIES

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A VISIT TO BLENHEIM

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

OXFORD, Saturday.

Miss Helen Darbishire, M.A., has been appointed to succeed Miss Margery Fry, M.A., as Principal of Somerville. Miss Fry is to retire at the end of Hilary Term, 1931. Miss Darbishire, daughter of the late Dr. E. D. Darbishire, who was well known at the Radcliffe Infirmary, has been a tutor at Somerville since 1908, and is one of the best of the University lecturers in English. Her career has been one of exceptional courage and great ability, and she is well fitted indeed to carry on the best traditions of Somerville after Miss Fry.

The Council of Somerville has appointed Miss D. M. Emmett, M.A., former exhibitioner of Lady Margaret Hall and Commonwealth Fellow in the United States of America, to a Research Fellowship in Philosophy for one year.

THE BLENHEIM CELEBRATIONS.

The Duke of Marlborough's fifty-ninth birthday was celebrated on Thursday by about 200 undergraduates, who joined the villagers and townspeople in the torchlight procession and bonfire at Blenheim. The Duke, who spoke to them in welcome, said that he could think of no fitter way to express his affection for the undergraduates of Oxford than by inviting them there on the night of his birthday. For the rest of the proceedings, beer and potatoes (roasted in the enormous bonfire) were freely circulated.

UNIVERSITY DRAMA.

It has been interesting lately to watch the growth of college dramatic societies. Both Magdalen and Brasenose are putting on performances this term, Brasenose in the Arlosh Hall, with "The Admirable Bashville," after some exciting tussles with the authorities. Amateur dramatic societies in Oxford, with the exception of the O.U.D.S., are, as a general rule, forbidden to charge for entrance: something, however, may be attained by charging heavily for the programme and levying a silver collection. It is only in this way that college societies can exist at all, and it may be easily understood that Keble and St. John's (performing this term "Bird in Hand") have a struggle to exist.

Incidentally, the O.U.D.S. have decided to hold a ball and cabaret in London next vacation, on January 12, 1931. A large list of stage stars have given promise of attendance, and considerable enthusiasm has been aroused in Oxford. The O.U.D.S. ball, held every year during Commemoration Week, is one of the most popular functions.

Mr. Stanford Holme's company at the Oxford Playhouse gave last week "Thunder in the Air," by Robin Millar. Their choice was governed by a desire to present a play appropriate for the week of Armistice Day. Mr. Frank Moore, Mr. Stringer Davis, Miss Annesley, and Miss Aileen Etlinger all gave exceptionally convincing performances. Next week, in "Thark," Mr. Stanford Holme will be sure to be at his best.

THE UNION.

After a poor evening on Thursday the Union will hold next week what is usually known as the Presidential Debate, when Sir Austen Chamberlain will be present. The candidates for the presidency will be Mr. E. D. O'Brien (Exeter), the librarian; Mr. Derek Walker Smith (Christ Church), the secretary and author of a schoolboy novel called "Out of Step," and Mr. John Foot (Balliol).

THE HIGH STEWARD.

For the post of High Steward of the University, Lord Grey of Fallodon, the Chancellor, has nominated Lord Sankey, the Lord Chancellor. The Chancellor's nomination will come forward for approval in Convocation. The post was left vacant through the death of Lord Birkenhead.

CAMBRIDGE.

NEW MEMBERS OF SENATE COUNCIL.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAMBRIDGE, Saturday.

The following have been elected to the Council of the Senate: Dr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. W. Spens, Professor Adcock, Professor Stratton, Mr. H. McL. Innes, Mr. S. W. Grose, Mr. F. R. Salter, and Mr. G. G. Morris.

Each year the collections on Armistice Day set up what seems to be an unassailable record, but year by year the enthusiasm of both collectors and contributors proves more than equal to the occasion. This year the total of £2,127 exceeds that of last year by well over £100. As usual, the methods of collection were as ingenious as they were amusing.

CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL THEATRE.

In the nineties, "A Doll's House" was hailed as a Declaration of the Rights of Woman. Now the programme announces that the play is a domestic drama. How utterly middle-class and provincial these Helmers are! No one could listen to this silly Nora without rebelling more than ever against the social conditions which produced her and thus warped the workings of a generous human heart. Happily, her type will have ceased to exist in another generation, and if the egocentric Torwald still walks down the avenues of some of our suburbs, he is remarkable only as a witness of a disappearing age.

Miss Gillian Scaife, at the Cambridge Festival Theatre, revealed that she understood this bourgeois little wife, and passed smoothly and easily from one mood to another, from the spoilt child to the shallow female who boasted of her "influence" with her husband, from the doll-wife to the impulsive human mother. How magnificently, too, she portrayed the sudden awakening of that undeveloped little mind! It was a fine performance. The minor parts were all well played. Mr. David Horne was a splendidly obtuse husband, and the unfortunate Krogstad has surely never been more ably presented than by Mr. Evan John, while Miss Margery Phipps-Walker made amends for the absence of the children by a quiet cogent rendering of the only really stable character in the play. The setting was excellent.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The A.D.C.'s production this term will be "The Critic," by Sheridan, from November 26 to December 4.

On Tuesday the Mummers are producing three short plays: "Thirty Minutes in a Street," "Aria da Capo," and "Three Weeks After Marriage."

On Wednesday M. Titulesco, the Rumanian Minister, will address the League of Nations Union, while on the same day Dr. Temperley will deliver his inaugural lecture, as Professor of Modern History, on "Research and Modern History."

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

PORTRAIT IN FREEMASONS' REGALIA OF OFFICE.

To celebrate the Duke of Devonshire's 21 years as Provincial Grand Master, the Derbyshire Freemasons are having his portrait painted.

The portrait, which will be hung in the Masonic Hall at Derby, is being painted by Mr. Ernest Townsend. It will show the Duke in the blue and gold regalia of his office.

TRAINING FOR BUSINESS.

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS VENTURE.

A NEW WING AT CAMPDEN HILL.

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By OUR LONDON UNIVERSITY CORRESPONDENT.

The recognition of Business Administration as an appropriate field for University study reaches its perhaps most significant stage in this country in the establishment of a Department of Business Administration, Research and Training at the London School of Economics.

The initiative has been largely taken by business firms themselves, and business men are actively connected with it as members of the Joint Committee in whose hands lies the management of the department. In determining its policy, having regard to the special needs of the business of this country, experience elsewhere, and in particular in America, will be of the greatest value.

Mr. Jules Menken, the head of the department, is expected back from the United States in a few days. He has been investigating in particular the working of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and its constituent Bureau of Business Research.

On Wednesday Mr. H. Gordon Selfridge visited King's College and delivered an inspiring address on "Business," under the chairmanship of Sir Francis Goodenough, who is untiring in his efforts to secure for the business world a larger share of the best youth of the country.

IN RURAL LONDON.

King's College of Household and Social Science has the advantages of a beautiful site on Campden Hill. It has a fine garden of its own, and stands adjacent to Holly Lodge, where Macaulay once lived, and Cam House, the home of the late Lord Phillimore. Nearby is Holland House. All these historic houses have gardens of many acres so undisturbed by the noise of London that the song of a great variety of birds can be heard in the spring, and the hooting of owls on any night.

These are rare delights anywhere in London nowadays, but the College has other advantages as well. It has had benefactors who have enabled the authorities to make use of good modern ideas of how students should be properly housed, and the building is consequently spacious and appropriate. They have just completed and put into occupation a wing begun in May of last year. It contains self-contained quarters for the warden, Miss Reynard, forty-one students' rooms, a common room for the staff, an additional students' common room, and cloakrooms for the staff, non-resident students and visitors. A few of the rooms face east towards Campden Hill Road, but the main portion of the building faces due south, with a delightful outlook to the garden, where some of the old trees still remain.

The College has obtained the grant of a coat-of-arms designed by Mr. George Kruger Gray. It consists of a red cross on a white ground with four burning fires in the corners, and the students have changed their College colours to match it.

The entry of students is the largest the College has yet had, and the numbers in the University Degree course are taxing to the utmost the resources of laboratories and lecture rooms. A new course in Dietetics, which is taking place on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, has aroused so much interest that it has proved difficult to accommodate all the applicants.

UNIVERSITY BADMINTON.

Cambridge University played London University at Badminton on Thursday on the London School of Economics court. The contest ended in favour of London, who won by five matches to four, after the score had been four matches all and fourteen points all in the deciding game. Both teams included very good men, and some of the games, especially in the match between the first two pairs, were admirable to watch. On the Cambridge side Mr. Williams and on the London side Mr. Eglinton were perhaps outstanding, but the play in the deciding bout, between the London third pair and the Cambridge second pair, rose to an astonishing excellence.

SIAM AND BRITAIN.

FRIENDSHIP ADVANCED BY AIR VISIT.

NEW DELHI, Saturday.

Cordial messages have been exchanged between the Viceroy and the King of Siam and the Government of India and the Siamese Government, on the occasion of the air visits exchanged between the two countries.

The Viceroy in his message said he hoped these air visits might help to strengthen the bonds of friendship which have long subsisted between Siam and the British Empire. The King of Siam thanked the Viceroy for his congratulations conveyed through Sir Geoffrey Salmond when three aeroplanes of the Indian Air Force visited Siam on the occasion of the birthday anniversary of the King of Siam, and said he felt with the Viceroy that this visit would certainly help to strengthen the bonds of friendship long subsisting between the British Empire and Siam.

The Government of India's message expressed pleasure that the exchange of visits was emblematic of the ties of amity which united the two neighbouring countries, and the Siamese Government, in reply, congratulated Sir Geoffrey Salmond and his party on their successful flight, and said it was fully convinced that this return visit would strengthen the existing bonds of friendship between their countries.—Reuter.

KILLED IN A MINE.

POLICE CONTROL ALARMED CROWD.

ARRAS, Saturday.

Alarm was caused last night in a mine at Rouvroy, near here, when two lamps were not checked in.

A rumour at once spread through the village that an explosion of damp had occurred. About 1,000 residents gathered at the pithead, and police turned out to control the crowd.

A search was made in the workings, and the bodies of two men, a safety inspector and his assistant, were found. They had been overpowered by gas.—Reuter.

CAT'S £3,000 LEGACY.

WOMAN DOCTOR'S BEQUEST TO HER PET.

LOS ANGELES (California), Saturday.

Mitzi, an 18-year-old cat, benefits by a legacy of £3,000 and a palatial home at San Gabriel for the rest of her nine lives, under the will of a woman doctor, Maude F. Cain, whose estate of £100,000 was admitted to probate in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

In her will Dr. Maude Cain directed that her home shall be kept intact as a refuge for Mitzi. Her housekeeper, Mrs. Pauline Goetz, received a legacy of £3,000, provided she remained in the house as the cat's companion.

One-third of the estate was set aside for charity, of which £5,000 goes to a hospital and the remainder to a fund to aid needy working girls.—British United Press.

A DRUG DANGER

CORONER ON NEED FOR RESTRICTION OF SALE.

WOMAN'S DEATH FROM OVERDOSE.

A nurse's unavailing effort to prevent a patient from taking a fatal dose of a drug called medinal was described at a Southwark inquest yesterday on the body of Hilda Mirian Dixon (51), wife of a wine merchant, and living apart from him at Nightingale Lane, Clapham, S.W.

It was stated that she had been suffering from pernicious anæmia and, from a doctor's prescription, had been taking medinal for sleeplessness.

Miss Violet Lilian Crabbe, a qualified nurse, said that she had been looking after Mrs. Dixon for 3½ years. At times Mrs. Dixon had been very depressed, and recently had said, "I am going to take some medinal tablets and end things. You won't see me again."

Witness afterwards took the medinal tablets from her when she (witness) went out on another case, but Mrs. Dixon must have hidden tablets at different times. On November 10 she found Mrs. Dixon in bed, unconscious.

Medical evidence was given that death was due to coma from double pneumonia, compatible with acute medinal poisoning. Anything over 60 grains of medinal would kill.

The Coroner, Dr. F. J. Waldo, said that he considered that the law regarding the sale of medinal needed changing and strengthening. He recorded a verdict of suicide, adding that there was insufficient evidence to show the state of the woman's mind.

£28,000,000 FOR U.S. NAVY.

THE 1931 PROGRAMME.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

The Naval Department's programme for 1931 calls for approximately £20,000,000 for new construction, and about £8,000,000 for modernisation of battleships. One aircraft-carrier, to cost around £3,500,000, is the highest expenditure proposed for one ship.

The programme is regarded as modest, in fact, just about half what the Treaty allows. It is estimated that the cost of a "Treaty Navy" would involve about £200,000,000, but expenditure at the rate of the Naval Department's programme for next year will range from between £80,000,000 to £120,000,000 less than the sum needed to build up the various classes to Treaty strength.

The question if the economy indicated for next year will be continued in the succeeding five years the Treaty remains in force depends on whether America recovers her prosperity, and can provide for her naval expenditure without a considerable deficit in the budget.

The programme, says Reuter, includes one 10,000-ton cruiser, carrying 6-in. guns, a destroyer flotilla of probably six vessels, and three or possibly four submarines.

OVERGROWN LONDON.

MINISTER "TERRIFIED" BY ITS SIZE.

"London terrifies me as I pass from North to South or from East to West. I am appalled by its size," said Mr. Arthur Greenwood, the Minister of Health, at a demonstration at the Kingsway Hall yesterday. Speaking as "a mere provincial," he said he thought London should never have been allowed to grow so big.

The demonstration was organised by the National Federation of Building Trades Operatives with the object of urging upon local authorities the necessity of using their powers under the new Slum Clearance Act.

"The slum mind is a real thing," Mr. Greenwood said, "but there are slum minds in Mayfair as well as in Poplar. The marvel to me is that the people have kept the decencies and purity of life as they have done."

He described economy in the matter of slums as "the politics of Bedlam."

ALL QUIET IN CAIRO.

NO LIBERAL SUPPORT FOR WAFD STRIKE.

CAIRO, Saturday.

It is significant that while the Wafdist newspapers do not appear to-day owing to the Hartal (cessation of work) which is being observed in protest against the non-opening of Parliament, the Liberal newspaper, "El Siassah," appears, and does not even publish the Wafd Manifesto calling on the professional and independent classes to cease work. It would seem, therefore, that the Liberals wish to disassociate themselves from the action of the Wafd.

Wiser counsels seem to be prevailing within the Wafd itself, for care has been taken to interfere as little as possible with the convenience of the general public, no attempt being made to bring public services into the Hartal.

Bodies of steel-helmeted police and troops have been posted about the town, but everything is perfectly peaceful. A certain number of lawyers have gone on strike and it is estimated that 20 per cent. of the Moslem shops are closed.

The police have arrested Hamdi Seifel Nasr Bey, a member of the Wafd Executive, who was inducing newsboys to burn newspapers and the shopkeepers to close their premises. All the Moslem shops in Tantah are closed.

"El Siassah," in an editorial, says that if Great Britain to-day signed a Treaty with Sidky Pasha, the Prime Minister, on the bases accepted by Mahmoud Pasha or offered to Nahas Pasha or embodying even better terms, the nation would not accept it under the present régime.—Reuter.

PIANIST'S JEWELS.

£878 THEFT CHARGE AGAINST EX-COOK.

Described as a nurse of no fixed home, Sarah Meeham (39), was charged before Mr. Powell at West London police court yesterday with stealing jewellery and other property worth £878, belonging to Mr. W. D. Murdoch, the pianist, of Barwell Court, Chessington, Surrey.

Mr. Murdoch stated that Meeham was engaged by his wife as cook on June 6 last, and on September 17 she absconded. Next day the property was missed. At the time of the theft he was living at Grove End Road, St. John's Wood.

Replying to Miss Stevenson, counsel for Meeham, Mr. Murdoch said that as far as he knew the woman did her work well. "All I can say," he added, "is that she was a good plain cook, but the most disagreeable woman I have ever known."

Lucian Reeve, a pawnbroker, of Kingston, said that on September 18 Meeham brought some pieces of jewellery to him to pledge. She said they were wedding presents, but he was not satisfied, and she went away saying she would fetch her husband. He detained the articles and informed the police.

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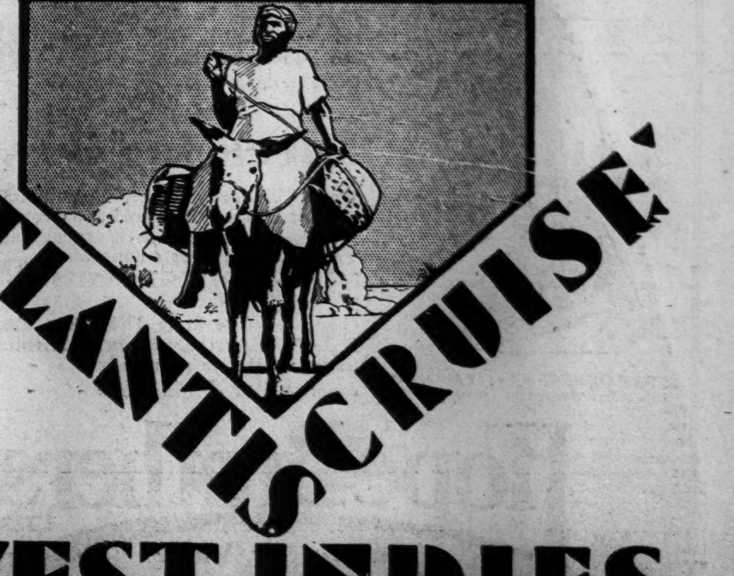

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OXFORD DEFEAT 'QUINS—LIGHT BLUES LOSE ON TIME.

BRISTOL MAINTAIN GREAT RECORD

The two leading London club sides opposed the University fifteens yesterday, and the honours ended even, for although Blackheath just got the better of Cambridge, the Harlequins were defeated at home by Oxford, a rather unexpected result.

In the county tourney, Lancashire made notable progress by defeating Yorkshire on the latter's ground, while Cheshire showed great finishing in overthrowing Cumberland with ease. The North-Eastern duel ended in Durham's favour

Guy's had a rare tussle with the Old Leysians before they could claim the victory, but Richmond failed once more, this time to the London Scottish. The Old Merchant Taylors have evidently struck a bad patch following their Leicester triumph, and they could not get a point at Coventry.

The London Irish scraped home in a close game with the Dublin University, and Bart's had little more to spare against the Old Cranleighans. Rosslyn Park and the Old Millhillians had a splendid game.

The event of the day was Bristol's mastery over the Services at Devonport, and the preservation of their unbeaten record. Gloucester fell at Newport, but Leicester escaped against Swansea, who frittered numerous penalty kicks away.

Cardiff brought off a good win at Portsmouth, and Bridgend did well to hold Llanelly on the latter's ground.

OXFORD'S FEAT.

SPLENDID WORK AGAINST THE 'QUINS.

By D. R. GENT.

Harlequins 8 pts., Oxford University 11.

Oxford did very well indeed to win this match at Twickenham yesterday by two goals (one penalty) and one try to one goal and one try. True, H. L. Price had to leave the field about ten minutes after the sta t owing to an injury. But against this must be set the fact that Oxford were unable to put out their best team, for, of the side originally chosen, J. A. Adamson, P. C. Minns and J. A. Baiss had to cry off. H. Rees, A. E. Brookes and P. C. Alexander taking their places.

I think, mind, that had Price been on the field all the time, Oxford would not have won. Still, they took the chance of winning the match that came their way, in the second half, with both hands, and their play in the last quarter of an hour was decidedly good. During that time the forwards controlled the game, and their backs supported them admirably, and they did really play like a team, the fore and aft combination being splendid.

It is their sound forward play that is going to be the strength of this Oxford side. As I remarked after their game against Richmond, their loose play is capital. Every man seems to know how to use his feet and is always up in support of his colleagues.

Then their tackling is most effective, and when the state of the ground and of the ball make the passing of their opponents slow, these Oxford men are on them in a flash. Time and time again you would see C. C. McCreight, H. C. Laird, and one or both of their centres fumble the ball, only to be overwhelmed instantly by W. A. Druitt, or A. G. Cridlan or P. D. Howard. This is a good pack, as good as either university has had for a long time.

T. M. Hart Again.

It was the Scottish international who was the best of the backs once more. One or two of his runs were delightful. I liked, too, the resolution of his partner, P. C. Alexander—a little impetuous, perhaps, but still very effective on the whole. The wings had not many chances, but were at least adequate.

I do not quite know what to say of the half-backs. There were times when W. Roberts was very good but they were not quite often enough to be really satisfying to his side. It is a virtue, I know, for an outside half to stand deep, but I am not sure that Roberts does not stand too deep. N. K. Lamport works very hard, and throws out a long pass as he must, to reach Roberts!). Moreover, he has plenty of pluck. With it all, though, Roberts and Lamport do not make a very successful pair, to my mind. If Adamson is unable to play, Oxford will not be let down by the versatile H. Rees. His fielding of a very greasy ball was beautifully accurate, as was his sense of position. In addition, he has abundant pluck. What he needs most is to kick a better length, and that might very well come with practice.

With their forwards shaken (and badly handicapped) the home backs were not seen at their best, and there was not a single bout of passing that was at all reminiscent of the play of the side a month ago. The best of the backs was McCreight. Hardly anything was seen of J. E. Hutton, whilst neither J. C. Gibbs nor J. S. Reeve had a respectable pass all the afternoon. In the pack E. D. Sewell and P. W. Adams were often prominent.

The Play.

The conditions were wretched, rain falling steadily and the light bad, when Henley kicked off. From the first scrum the Harlequins got possession, but McCreight's pass to Laird went wrong, and the latter had to dribble away. Almost at once there came another scrum, the ball came out on the same side, and McCreight slipped away to score between the posts within two minutes of the start. Dunkley converted. Oxford had certainly been caught napping badly. This roused the Oxford men, and strong forward play, a kick ahead, and a misfield by Waring gave Oxford a chance that they took well, Cardale touching down in the corner. Henley missed the kick.

There was some rather dull play after this for some minutes, till Cole made a pretty opening, following which Price had to leave the field with what looked like some form of leg trouble. Adopting bustling tactics, the Oxford forwards, with Cridlan and Druitt well in the picture, took the game three parts of the length of the field, only to be sent back by a long raking kick by Laird.

Laird was prominent a minute later when he made a beautiful opening, reached the Oxford full-back, and, with Hutton and Gibbs clear on his left, gave the most miserable pass imaginable. Just now it was a series of bad passes, for after Hart had run well, the movement broke down with a bad pass. But at last a magnificent try came, a solo effort by Gibbs, the result of a beautiful dribble, in which he first beat and then raced three of his opponents The kick was missed.

Roberts was prominent with a clever pick-up and kick to touch from a strong Harlequins rush. This was followed by a capital dribble by Howard, who picked up at the end, and started his backs going. The ball reached Cardale, but he was too close to the touch-line, and Reeve was able to force him into touch. There was no more scoring this half, and the Harlequins led at the interval by 8 points to 3.

A Stirring Second Half.

After the Harlequins had nearly added to their lead, Roberts forced them back to near the halfway line. Here they were penalised, and Henley kicked a magnificent goal, reducing the lead to a couple of points, amid loud cheering from the many Oxford supporters. Then the excitement began and the game became very much keener than it had been. A capital save by Rees and a splendid rush headed by Druitt saw Oxford all but take the lead. Back came the Harlequins though, Laird and Cole making a very good opening for Reeve, but the pass they gave him was not easy and he knocked it on.

After this the Harlequins should have clinched the matter, for Oxford were penalised close to and in front of their own posts, Dunkley having the easiest of chances to get three points. But he miskicked badly, and away went Oxford Hart made a lovely opening, Cardale backed him up, and the ball got loose. Laird fumbled it, and Hofmeyr picked up and forced his way over for a magnificent try from about twenty yards out. Henley got his second goal, and Oxford had won well, the rally at the end being quite thrilling

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Referee: Mr. A. E. Dodnage.

THE CLUB RECOVER.

CAMBRIDGE LOSE A LEAD.

Blackheath 18 pts., Cambridge University 16.

Cambridge University received a thorough testing at Blackheath, and, failing to reproduce the skill and fine team work that has brought them such striking success lately, went down before the "Club" by the narrow margin of two points—three goals and one try to two goals and two tries.

The want of J. G. Askew's length kicking from the full-back position probably made a deal of difference to the Varsity, for well as D. M. Parry fielded the greasy ball, he was not so good as Askew in any other respect. The absence of R. W. Smeddle from the wing was not so severely felt, for J. W. Train, who deputised, showed himself to be a clever player and scored three of the Varsity tries. Cambridge played E. P. Pope at scrum-half instead of F. W. Simpson, who figured in a similar position for Blackheath, and the duel between these rivals for a Blue was one of the features of the match.

Possibly the Varsity were sorry at their choice, for Simpson, favoured by more efficient heeling on the part of his forwards, was the better of the two on the day's play. Not only did he mark his opponent relentlessly, even if a trifle over-eager at times in doing so, but he was quicker in getting the ball away.

The Cambridge pack was hardly at its best, whereas, with B. H. Black back in their ranks, the Blackheath forwards showed considerable improvement on recent displays. C. C. Bishop, too, was a capital fly-half to Simpson, and did many clever things. W. Webber, the Devon County player, is a decided acquisition to Blackheath, strengthening the centre of the three-quarter line in a way that was badly required.

The other recruit, G. S. Hoghton, did not have a good match, but should fit into the side. All the Cambridge points were scored in the first half, Train getting three tries and P. W. P. Brook one, J. J. A. Embleton converting one and Brook another. Against this Blackheath had three scorers, Webber, Black, and H. C. Douty crossing, Black converting two. But for some sound tackling by the Light Blues Blackheath would have scored several times in the second half, for they attacked for a long spell. Victory, however, only came to them in the last five minutes, when a capital effort by Bishop gave Webber a real opening. The latter went over between the posts, and Black kicked the goal without difficulty. Teams:—

Tallent sent Train in early for a try for Cambridge, Embleton converting, but Blackheath were quickly level with a try by Webber, which was goaled by Black, who also converted his own try a little later. Unconverted tries by Brook and Train, and a try by Train converted by Brook went to Cambridge, Douty putting on an unconverted try for Blackheath.

Blackheath began the second half with a vigorous attack, which they maintained for a long while. The Varsity defence was sound, but they did little in attack. Blackheath's forwards had the best of the scrummages, and their outsides had far more opportunities than the Cambridge backs. Bishop won the game for Blackheath by sending Webber in five minutes from the close B ck converting. Teams:—

BLACKHEATH.—S. T. A. Radcliffe; H. C. Douty, W. Webber, G. S. Hoghton, T. Preston; C. O. Bishop, F. W. Simpson; B. H. Black, R. H. Charsley, M. S. Bonaventura, H. H. C. Withers, G. Laing, G. N. Wentworth, W. E. Tucker, K. J. McIntyre.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—D. M. Parry; C. C. Tanner, G. C. A. Adams, J. A. Tallent, J. W. Train; J. L. H. Phillips, E. P. Pope; H. B. L. Johnstone, T. G. Morton, H. Duder, A. R. Ramsay, E. Valentine, D. M. Marr, P. W. P. Brook, J. J. A. Embleton.

DUBLIN'S NARROW DEFEAT.

London Irish 5 pts., Dublin University 3.

The second match of the brief Dublin University tour ended, like the first on Thursday, in defeat for the visitors, who were beaten by London Irish at Motspur Park, by one placed goal (5 pts.) to one try (3 pts.). The game was played in atrocious weather conditions, and the difficulties of the players were increased by the fact that the Universities arrived on the ground at such a late hour that it was not possible to see across the pitch in the last ten minutes of the game.

The conditions did not tend to an exhibition of the finer arts of the game, although the Irish largel yowed their narrow win to the fact that, when opportunity did offer, they got the ball out to their fast three-quarters. The struggle forward was equally waged, and the only notable difference between the sides was in the extra pace of the home fifteen behind the scrum.

There was no score in the opening period, but ten minutes after the resumption McNeilly went in for an unconverted try. The Irish rallied strongly towards the end, and Hodder dashed over for a try, which Collis improved.

BRILLIANT BRISTOL.

Devonport Services 0 pts., Bristol 24.

Bristol preserved their great record by winning away at the expense of the Devonport Services.

The Services did most of the attacking in the early stages, and bad conditions prevented them from handling effectively, so the Bristol defence held out. As the game progressed, Bristol began to control the scrummages, and just before the interval Lillicrap touched down a try for Bristol following a forward rush.

Bristol took their chances, and knew where the line was They were the slightly faster team.

In the second stage Burland (2) and Barrington scored tries which Hazell converted, and Lillicrap went over to score unconverted tries in the closing minutes.

GUY'S HARD PRESSED.

Guy's Hospital 12 pts., Old Leysians 5.

Guy's Hospital who have been so successful of late, received a rude shock from the Old Leysians at Honor Oak Park. The game started with a tussle between the forwards. Guy's were next momentarily superior, and Morgan scored in a forward rush. Hogbin failing with the kick. Kilner, however, crossed for the Old Boys, and the kick at goal was successful to place Guy's behind at the interval.

The battle between the forwards continued after the change of ends, and although Guy's now had a strong wind behind them they could not just get over. Morgan scored for Guy's, Hogbin adding the points. Guy's strove hard to increase their lead and Windsor Lewis finished with a beautiful dropped goal.

The battle between the forwards started at the outset, and was continued throughout a scrappy game Guy's forwards soon discovered that their efforts, if not too good at constructive work, were very efficient in destroying attacks, and the outstanding feature of the game was the fine deadly tackling of the Old Leysians.

SOUTHEND'S HARD GAME.

Southend 6 pts., Old Dartfordians 0.

The Old Dartfordians were beaten for the first time this season when they lost at Priory Park to Southend by two tries to nothing Play was hard and keen. There were many forward rushes, and the home set, well led by M. L. Mailey, were superior, but when the Old Boys' pack received the ball they always appeared dangerous. K. T. Smith was an outstanding player for the Old Boys. D. S. Clarke scored both the Southend tries, one in each half, after determined runs.

ROSSLYN PARK WIN.

DOUR GAME IN THE MUD.

STAND-OFF HALF COMPARISON.

Rosslyn Park 3 pts., Old Millhillians 0.

Rosslyn Park defeated Old Millhillians in this match at Richmond by one try, the only score of the game, which took place in a downpour of rain throughout. As always, on the Old Deer Park, the ground was in excellent condition, but the slimy ball did not conduce to a spectacular display. Early play was all in the Rosslyn half, the Millhillians' forwards having far the best of matters, and by their smart footwork, after breaking away from the scrum, kept the Park defenders very busy.

Several times Spong got possession and showed promising dash in eluding opposition, and once Wiggins slipped away around the scrum and was all but in near the posts. Then some muddling by the Old Boys let in Park, and W. R. Collins, the scrum-half, after a fine swerving run, started a round of passing, which ended in Alston going over near the corner flag, and a very fine attempt at conversion just failed.

After the change of ends it was all the other way about, and it was the Old Millhillians who were penned in their own half. Rosslyn Park found that the ball could be handled, and that they were better at it than their opponents. So Collins opened up the game, and several bouts of passing which he initiated looked very much like adding to the score. But someone was always on the spot to just prevent it. Several dead balls and touches down indicated the trend, and Spong was by this time confined to a purely defensive role. Another very promising round of passing started by Collins was all but successful, the burly Alston, after a dash along the touch-line, during which he handed off two would-be tacklers, being pushed into touch at the corner flag.

Time after time the Park threes tried to get round on each side of the field, but met a dour and dogged defence at all points.

Some notable players were absent on either side. H. E. Carris did not appear, and another O.M., H. D. Cavaghan was playing for Cumberland. De Vere Hunt, the Irish international, did not turn out for the Park. Had he played at back it would have made no difference, as Bradford, his substitute, did not make a single mistake, and kicked admirably. At three-quarter, playing as he did last week in Ireland, Hunt would probably have added to the score. Those threes who played for the Park did fairly well in the cramped positions to which they were confined.

If this was a stand-off half duel between R. S. Spong and W. R. Collins, on the day's play the latter had the better of it, being of far greater value to his side, and altogether giving a meritorious display. Spong seemed to have faded out at the finish, but at that period the Park forwards were collaring the scrums and showing that they also knew what good footwork and following up were.

RICHMOND'S WEAKNESS.

POOR COMBINATION AGAINST LONDON SCOTTISH.

London Scottish 19 pts., Richmond 6.

The suddenly reanimated London Scottish followed up their win over the United Services with a victory over Richmond on the Athletic ground by scoring two goals and three tries against a penalty goal and a try.

It was not by any means an exhilarating game. Much of the play, indeed, on both sides was wild and methodless, but it was keenly contested, and the Scottish won because they were better served at half-back and had the greater pace generally to press home their attacks. Neither side earned full marks for their scrummaging, but the Richmond men did the better work in the open R. G. S. Hobbs, R. L. Wallace, and John Durr always being prominent.

Frequent rushes enabled Richmond to do their full share of the attacking, but though R. Burgess, their fly-half, cut through dangerously several times, and W. A. H. Chapman played well on the right wing, there was an entire lack of combination, and their attacks always fizzled out tamely. On the Scottish side G. Maclaren and A. C. E. Miers hit it off much more effectively than the Richmond pair, and E. M. M. Henderson, in the centre, was fast and very clever in his dodging runs for the line. The two tries he scored in the second half were quite the brightest features of the match. Ian Smith had few opportunities to shine, but C. E. W. Macintosh got through a good deal of sound work on his wing. Both sides tackled stoutly, and were well served by their backs, F. Mennim being quite as sound as R. W. Langrish of the Scottish.

Though the play for the opening twenty minutes was mostly in their own twenty-five, the Scottish were the first to score, Maclaren breaking away for Ian Smith to go over. A few minutes later Macintosh ran through five opponents for a wide-out try, but Langrish failed with both the place kicks. Soon after the resumption the Scottish went further ahead. Henderson was tackled after a dazzling break through, but the Scottish forwards went on with the ball for R. R. F. Maclennan to score a further unconverted try, and then, taking a smart pass from Maclaren, Henderson dodged through for Langrish to add the goal points. Another spectacular effort by Henderson and a further successful kick by Langrish left the Scottish 19 points in front with a quarter of an hour to go.

Afterwards Richmond, in a resolute effort, obtained their six points. D. W. G. Parsons kicked a penalty goal and Durr touched down for a try after the ball had been rushed over the line.

SERVICES' BAD DAY.

United Services 0 pts., Cardiff 14.

Cardiff were the superior side in the game at Portsmouth with the United Services, played before a small crowd. Cardiff, in fact, outplayed the Services at nearly all points in the first half. Charters and Jenkins scored tries for them, the second being converted by Jones.

Cardiff continued to have the better of the play in the second half, and Turnbull scored two unconverted tries. A great defence by Gosling prevented further scores.

MAIDSTONE BACKS DO WELL.

Maidstone 15 pts., Tunbridge Wells 0.

Maidstone won a hard game in the rain, scoring a penalty goal and four tries to nil. Their forwards largely predominated the play by determined rushes, although when the threes had a chance they demonstrated handling a slippery ball with marked success. The last try was obtained through some fine handling by the entire back line. Tunbridge Wells played up gamely to the end

BIG SCORE BY WESTCLIFFIANS.

Gidea Park 4 pts., Old Westcliffians 26.

Old Westcliffians were entertained by Gidea Park at Gallows Corner whom they defeated by 26 points to 4. Many opportunities were missed owing to the wet ball, which made handling difficult. At half-time the Old Boys led by 23 points to nil. Delmar was particularly prominent for the winners, scoring three tries. L. G. S. Oliver converted three tries and H. P. Crabtree one.

OLD ELTHAMIANS' FIRST DEFEAT.

Woodford 8 pts., Old Elthamians 3.

At Woodford Green the Old Elthamians lost their unbeaten record, losing to Woodford by 8 points to 3. C. D. Walker-Arnott and Wickes scored for Woodford, Klein converting one try. In a drizzling rain the three-quarters found the ball difficult to hold, but the better side won

THE BANK WIN READILY.

Bank of England 12 pts., Old Emanuel 3.

The Bank of England beat Old Emanuel easily at Roehampton, scoring one penalty and three tries to one penalty goal. Levis opened with a penalty goal for Emanuel. Chadder equalised, and also scored two tries for the Bank. He then nearly scored a third, which Smith touched down. In the second half rain spoiled the handling game, or the Bank would have won more easily. Taylor and Chadder were outstanding players.

WEST HERTS' DASHING FORWARDS.

Lloyds Bank 6 pts., West Herts 14.

It was their splendid forward rushes, usually led by Runcorni, that won West Herts the game on Lloyds Bank's ground. Elvis scored Lloyds first try. Crimp obtained their second try after some good handling. Herts scored twice in the first half (one being converted), twice in the second.

HORSHAM STILL WINNING.

Horsham 16 pts., Woodford A 0.

Horsham's hectic season continues, Woodford A being beaten yesterday by 16 points to nil. Their aggregate in six games is 181 points to 18 against. Lintott opened the scoring in two minutes, and also converted. Mayne followed with a try after good work in the loose by Connall. In the second half Osborne scored after five minutes, and later Woodruffe went over near the posts for Mayne to convert.

COVENTRY BEAT TAYLORS.

A HOTLY CONTESTED GAME.

BART'S SUCCEED.

Coventry 8 pts., Old Merchant Taylors 0.

The Old Merchant Taylors did not surprise Coventry as they had done Leicester a week or two earlier, and the home team won with much to spare. Harriman was set going early on by Mayo, and scored a try for Coventry that was not converted. There was a great struggle between the packs, and it was the Coventry forwards who paved the way for another score. From a line out and punt ahead West touched down under the post, Borham converting Spragg made a good run for the visitors, but was forced into touch just as he was about to cross the line.

Bywater made a fine opening for the visitors in the second stage, and Spragg was only brought down on the line. The Old Merchant Taylors kept up the attack, and Doughie was almost in, while Campbell was hard pressed to keep Turnbull at bay. The game was hotly contested to the end.

Despite the conditions, play was bright, open and very hotly contested. The visitors made some highly spectacular movements, but their three-quarter line did not move with the same understanding as Coventry's back division. The forwards were evenly matched, and honours were divided in the scrums and line-outs. In the loose the home pack were slightly more skilful, but by no means had matters their own way. Excellent understanding was shown at half-back by Douthie and Heck, the visiting pair. Heck did many clever things, and had a lively duel with Lole.

During the early part of the second half Coventry appeared to be obtaining a well-marked superiority. The visitors then rallied and several hot raids were repelled with difficulty. Douthie was unfortunate when he was tackled right on Coventry's line. Edwards, Devonshire and Tabbutt were best of very level visiting pack, with Coulson, Rowley and West outstanding for Coventry.

In the visiting three-quarter line Bywater was excellent at centre. On the wing Turnbull, though he made several sharp dashes, found Campbell difficult to pass. Campbell, the youngest member of the home back division, is developing well on the right wing. Mayo, at right centre, was constantly dangerous, and Harriman, the left centre, also did well.

Harriman's chief assets are his fleetness of foot and quickness off the mark, and he has attracted the notice of the English Selection Committee. Coventry are finding difficulty in filling the full-back position to their satisfaction. After a long absence, Pitcher returned to that post, and did fairly well. Harrison was a sound full-back for the visitors.

BART'S CLEVER FORWARDS.

St. Bart's 6 pts., Old Cranleighans 3.

After a keenly contested match at Winchmore Hill, St. Bartholomew's Hospital beat Old Cranleighans by one penalty goal and one try (six points) to one try (three points). The result was somewhat of a surprise, but the winners deserved their success by reason of their sound defence and fine tackling. Their forwards, too, worked with great keenness throughout, especially in the first half

In the opening half Blair broke away after twenty minutes and scored a fine try for the Hospital, the place kick failing. Just before half-time Benson ran in for a try for Old Cranleighans. After change of ends Bart's did all the attacking, and ten minutes from the end Ryan decided the issue by kicking a penalty goal.

UPPER CLAPTON'S HARD GAME.

Duke of Wellington Regt. 14 pts., Upper Clapton 9.

Upper Clapton visited Aldershot and lost to the First Duke of Wellington's Regiment after a fierce struggle, by one goal and three tries to three tries. The soldiers, who have lately left Devonport, have a fine well-balanced side and fully deserved their win through the greater speed of their back, and the better handling of the threes. Upper Clapton had the wind and slope in their favour at the outset, and after repelling an attack by the soldiers some delightful passing movements enabled Wells to score. The visitors continued to press and two further tries were obtained by West. Just before half time Humphish got over for the regiment. With the wind behind them the home side had the better of the second half and scored through Bentley, Reid and Stork, Dowas converting one.

POOR FINISHING AT CAMBRIDGE.

Cambridge Town 3 pts., Leytonstone 8.

Leytonstone paid a visit to Cambridge, and in wet weather won by 1 goal and 1 try to 1 try. Cambridge kicked off, but Leytonstone at once attacked, and maintained a steady pressure, poor finishing alone preventing them from scoring. From one good outside movement by the visitors Selby lost the ball when over the line. L. W. Carsol eventually scored by intercepting a pass among the Cambridge backs, and touched down under the posts for Willsmore to convert. After the interval the game consisted chiefly of forward rushes, with an occasional passing movement by the visiting outsides. Leytonstone kept up a steady pressure until W. I. Turpon got away from a line-out, and gave to R. P. Davey to score. Cambridge immediately replied with a try by F. Styles from a forward rush. This ended the scoring.

EDGWARE'S LAST-MINUTE WIN.

Catford Bridge 0 pts., Edgware 3.

The meeting of Catford Bridge and Edgware at Catford resulted in an excellent game, despite the weather conditions. After early pressure by Edgware the home team attacked, Schalkwyk kicking well and Boty making several strong bursts, but no score came. Edgware had the better of the second half, their lighter forwards outstaying the heavy home pack, and clever play enabled Williams to get over, but the score was not allowed. It was not until the last minute that Howard kicked a penalty goal to give Edgware the victory by 3 points to nil.

CHELTENHAM WIN AT OXFORD.

Oxford Greyhounds 5 pts., Cheltenham 9.

Oxford University Greyhounds entertained Cheltenham on the Varsity ground, and suffered defeat by 9 points to 5. With a drizzling rain, it was practically a forward game, the backs being quite unable to handle the greasy ball. The Greyhounds started in promising fashion, and were attacking strongly when Osborne, intercepting a pass, broke right away in a forward rush and carried it over the line, and Oxford were compelled to touch down. The Cheltenham forwards were then seen to better advantage, and another determined effort ended in a try by Goodwin, which Walters failed to convert An interception by Krige enabled Jenkins to get over for Greyhounds, and Lovegrove converted. Further tries fell to Cheltenham through the agency of Davis and Osborne, and they led at the interval by 9 points to 5. The second half proved quite uneventful, the forwards monopolising the game, and the half-time score stood until the finish.

EXETER'S NARROW WIN.

National Provincial Bank 5 pts., Exeter 8.

Exeter were just a little too good for the National Provincial Bank in a very close game at Lower Sydenham Ratcliffe opened the Bank's account after ten minutes' play. He scored far out, Stannard converting with his customary good kicking. Cann broke away on the Exeter left wing, and, shaking off two would-be tacklers, scored a good try. The Bank opened strongly in the second half, but Exeter were falling on the ball well and truly, Their forwards forced the ball into the Bank's "twenty-five," and Littlewood picked up after a maul, and went over. Mathews converting.

OLD PAULINES BACK TO FORM.

Old Paulines 16 pts., Old Dunstonians 0

Expectations were realised at Thames Ditton, where Old Paulines proved too strong for Old Dunstonians, whom they defeated by 2 placed goals, 1 penalty goal, 1 try (16 points) to nil. So completely did the Paulines hold the ascendancy that only on rare occasions did the visitors appear likely to score, although the Dunstonians yielded nothing to their opponents in the skill and resolution of their defence. Tries for the Paulines were scored by Low (2) and Embleton, while King placed two goals and kicked a penalty.

THRUSTFUL STREATHAM.

Streatham 12 pts., St. Thomas's Hosp. 6.

Streatham won their match against St. Thomas's Hospital in convincing style on the Hospital ground. Streatham showed more resource and thrust in attack. Through a misapprehension Gilbert walked over the line without opposition, but Brookes ran well and equalised. Then Lawson, from good passing, put his side three points ahead. Goldsworthy scored wide out for the home side, but for Streatham Knott scored from a forward rush. Youbert dribbled cleverly. Tucker, who was prominent throughout, also got over for Streatham.

COUNTY GAMES.

LANCASHIRE'S SUCCESS OVER YORKSHIRE.

OGDEN'S OPPORTUNISM.

Yorkshire 7 pts., Lancashire 16.

Lancashire made a notable advance in the Northern section of the County Championship when they gained a striking victory over Yorkshire at Halifax before 2,000 spectators.

Lancashire easily had the better of the opening stages on a heavy ground, their forwards gaining possession frequently. Ogden was outstanding for them, and after an early penalty goal by him he kicked another and also dropped a goal.

In the second half Lancashire again opened strongly, Meikle scoring a try. Bedford, in one of Yorkshire's attacks, landed a penalty, and later dropped a goal. Yorkshire had improved but Toft clinched matters for Lancashire with an unconverted try.

CUMBERLAND OUTPOINTED.

Cheshire 25 pts., Cumberland 9.

The meeting of Cheshire and Cumberland at Birkenhead aroused great interest, and upwards of 4,000 spectators assembled. In the first half Cheshire took a lead of 17 points to nil. They went off with a sharp burst, and Charles in the first ten minutes scored two unconverted tries. Richardson then converted a try by Roberts and kicked a penalty goal. Cumberland played up towards the interval, but there was lack of finish in their movements. Davies got another unconverted try for Cheshire two minutes before half-time.

In the second half Cumberland had the wind in their favour, and they scored a try in a forward rush through Hewitson. Charles then got his third try for Cheshire, and later Richardson converted Dickson's try. In the closing stages Cheshire pressed strongly, and Thompson scored an unconverted try, while Johnson crossed the Cheshire lines.

DURHAM WIN WELL.

Durham 16 pts., Northumberland 11.

North-eastern rivals met at Westoe, South Shields, when Durham had much the better of the game with Northumberland.

Durham were the smarter combination, and C. T. Aarvold kicked a penalty goal and converted a try by Gissings. Taylor also scored a try for Durham, to which J. M. Taylor replied with a try for Northumberland.

In the second half the visitors had more of the game and Bland and Horsley scored tries, Hoult converting one. Durham later pressed and Corner scored for them, Aarvold goaling. Northumberland pressed hard near the finish, but could not add to their score and retired beaten by 3 goals (one penalty) and 1 try to 1 goal and 2 tries.

NEWPORT SCRAMBLE HOME.

Newport 6 pts., Gloucester 3.

Newport, at home, had a splendid duel with Gloucester in dull, drizzling weather, before a handful of spectators. Early on Everson placed a great penalty goal for Newport, and then beautiful passing gave Watkins an unconverted atry. Newport held the upper hand, and Gloucester were seldom out of their half. Boughton, however, placed a penalty goal for Gloucester just before the interval.

In the second half Gloucester did better for a time, but Newport again pressed, though Gloucester's defence was very strong. Again Gloucester proved dangerous, but Newport kept them out, and the second half was pointless.

TALE OF MISSED PENALTIES.

Leicester 0 pts., Swansea 0.

Swansea were without Guy Morgan and John for their match at Leicester, where the attendance numbered 5,000 in spite of the bad weather. Swansea pressed, and Howie Jones put in a splendid run, but was tackled in the Leicester twenty-five The home side improved and Clarke nearly crossed. The game was largely forward, and was contested at a great pace.

Swansea had a chance to take the lead in the second half, but Parker missed several penalty-kicks in quick succession. Sweetman and Morris got away for Leicester, but Ball cleared. Williams missed another penalty for Swansea in an easy position. Leicester rallied strongly towards the close, but Swansea's defence was sound.

BRIDGWATER TACKLE WELL.

Bridgwater 9 pts., St. Mary's Hosp. 0.

Although they were without three of their regular players Bridgwater easily won their home match with St. Mary's Hospital. Hurley opened the scoring with an unconverted try, and Harden and Spicer added tries in the second half. The play was mainly a struggle between the forwards. St. Mary's brought off some good passing movements, but these were countered by Bridgwater's sound tackling. A greasy ball made for a lot of faulty handling by both sides.

KEEN FORWARD STRUGGLE.

H.A.C. 12 pts., R.M. College 0.

The Royal Military College visited Finsbury and were beaten by four tries to nil. Owing to the state of the ground the game resolved itself into a keen forward struggle. The H.A.C. outsides did well under difficult circumstances, handling the ball better than their opponents. The home forwards were good and constantly made ground by loose rushes.

Cooke, who ran well on the left wing, opened the scoring from a quick heel and pass to the wing, and Wilson scored the second try, the outcome of good backing up, this being a prominent feature of the forward play throughout. In the second half Lawson, following a very good wheel, dribbled the ball over, and Carey scored the fourth try just before time.

RUGBY CLUB RECORDS.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.
Bank of England	8	6	0	2	102	54
Bath	12	6	2	4	138	90
Bedford	9	6	0	3	115	53
Blackheath	12	4	1	7	122	141
Bradford	11	7	2	2	170	119
Bristol	9	9	0	0	146	33
Cambridge Univ.	9	7	0	2	269	79
Cardiff	21	9	4	8	179	180
Catford Bridge	12	5	0	7	94	139
Cheltenham	10	7	0	3	115	60
Coventry	12	9	0	3	191	106
Devonport Services	11	3	1	7	83	128
Edgware	11	9	1	1	105	48
Esher	9	5	1	3	77	81
Exiles	10	8	0	2	190	56
Gloucester	12	5	3	4	140	84
Guy's Hosp	10	6	0	4	167	123
Harlequins	8	6	0	2	160	68
Headingley	10	6	1	3	187	88
H. A. Coy.	9	5	0	4	84	104
Leicester	12	6	2	4	133	109
Llanelly	11	7	3	1	109	38
Lloyds Bank	8	3	1	4	75	74
L.C.C.	6	3	2	1	53	31
Lensbury	6	7	0	2	129	75
London Irish	7	6	0	1	74	18
London Scottish	8	3	0	5	83	156
Metro. Police	7	6	0	1	106	35
Midland Bank	9	6	1	2	152	48
Neath	12	8	0	4	155	63
Newport	14	8	3	3	157	88
Northampton	11	6	0	5	180	109
Nuneaton	9	7	0	2	126	70
O. Alleynians	8	5	0	3	127	75
O. Cranleighans	9	5	0	4	110	105
O. Dunstonians	8	0	1	7	12	117
Old Emanuel	8	3	1	4	52	95
O. Haberdashers	8	5	0	3	86	93
O. Leysians	8	1	0	7	44	133
O.M. Taylors	8	4	0	4	74	83
O. Millhillians	8	4	0	4	86	66
O. Paulines	10	7	0	3	119	99
O. Westcliffians	8	6	0	2	123	41
O. Whitgiftians	8	7	0	1	123	53
Osterley	8	2	0	6	55	107
Oxford Univ.	8	6	0	2	126	74
Plymouth Albion	10	8	0	2	123	69
Pontypool	14	10	2	2	151	64
Polytechnic	8	5	1	2	62	51
Richmond	9	2	0	7	80	148
Rosslyn Park	10	7	1	2	109	50
St. Bart's Hospital	9	2	0	7	53	130
St. Mary's Hospital	7	3	0	4	63	65
Staines	7	6	0	1	196	25
Streatham	9	1	0	8	56	163
Swansea	11	5	1	5	123	59
Toc H	9	9	0	0	176	27
U.S. Chatham	9	3	0	6	90	113
U.S. Portsmouth	9	2	2	5	91	111
Upper Clapton	9	2	0	7	121	108
Wasps	10	10	0	0	201	31
Westminster Bank	9	3	1	5	64	85
Wimbledon	7	7	0	0	86	22
Woodford	10	6	0	4	119	57

RUGBY LEAGUE MATCHES.

Batley	2	Featherstone Rvrs.	11
Bradford Northern	4	Barrow	16
Broughton Rgrs.	8	Widnes	3
Castleford	21	Hunslet	15
Halifax	4	Oldham	0
Hull	8	Dewsbury	8
Keighley	2	York	13
Leeds	13	Hull K. Rvrs.	5
Leigh	6	Rochdale Hornets	2
St. Helens	7	Salford	0
Swinton	12	St. Helen's Rec.	2
Wakefield T.	23	Wigan Highfield	8
Warrington	29	Bramley	0
Wigan	8	Huddersfield	6

C. W. Hart, the 65-years-old long-distance runner challenges George Cummings, the famous walker to an endurance walk of a thousand miles. The challenger recently returned from America, where he took part in a number of championships, including the world's championship endurance dance at Los Angeles. He tied for the championship.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS RUGBY.

Harrow School 10 pts., Old Harrovians 24.

The Old Harrovians beat Harrow School on the Sixth Form ground by three goals and three tries to two goals. Play was even for the first ten minutes, and then C. G. Ford, the biggest player on the field, forced his way through and scored for the Old Boys, the kick being converted by A. S. Lawrence. Following good passing between A. W. H. Baucher, the full-back, and Lawrence, J. P. H. Bent scored, Lawrence again converting. Two more tries for the Old Boys were scored by F. Crossley and P. D. Cotes Preedy, giving them a lead of sixteen points to nil at half-time. With the slope in their favour, the School did much better in the second half, and their three-quarters saw more of the ball. Some clever work by O. C. Browning, the scrum half, enabled A. G. Readman to score, and P. J. Lewis converted for the School. The Old Harrovians then increased their lead, following good running by W. O'B. Lindsay and Cotes Preedy, the latter scoring. The kick was converted by Lawrence. A great effort by Lindsay, who ran half the length of the field, and then handed the ball to Lawrence with a clear opening, yielded another unconverted try. The efforts of the School were rewarded with a try by P. K. Crowther, and Lewis converted. P. J. Lewis was awarded his Lion.

Rugby School 3 pts., Uppingham School 0.

Played in a drizzle, one of the most exciting matches that Rugby School Close has witnessed for a number of years ended in a victory for the home side over Uppingham School by a try to nil. Rugby's forwards played a magnificent game both in the loose and in the packs.

Tackling on both sides was deadly. Apart from the full-backs, Doxford and Thomas, both of whom played well in all departments, no one player stood out very prominently. Every member of each side gave of his best, and the result was a match that will not be easily forgotten. The result was in doubt up to the final whistle. Emerson scored the try.

Marlborough 13 pts., Rosslyn Park A 4.

Marlborough were in convincing form when they received Rosslyn Park A. The wet weather made handling difficult. Prescott, one of last year's colours, and Taverner, were notable absentees from the College side. The College started strongly, and Gladstone, making a fine solo run, obtained a try, which Page converted. A dropped goal was obtained for the Park by Hunter from an easy angle. For a long period after the interval play developed into scrum work. Eventually Bell gained possession, and, racing away on his own, got over for a try. Gladstone also crossed under the posts, and Seamer converted. The College dominated the remainder of the play.

Dulwich nil, Haileybury 3 pts.

Haileybury, who relied more upon their footwork, just about deserved their win at Dulwich by one try to nil They attacked most of the first half. From a scrummage near the line the ball went to E. J. Unwin, who walked over. In the second half Dulwich looked like scoring on several occasions, but the Haileybury defence was sound.

Mill Hill 8 pts., Cranleigh 3.

Mill Hill, at home, beat Cranleigh by a goal and a try to a penalty goal. The play was largely confined to the forwards. Cranleigh opened the scoring with a penalty goal by A. J. Goodall, the captain. E. W. Blackwell put Mill Hill ahead by converting a fine try by P. N. Cross-Brown. Towards the end Cross-Brown got over again.

Taunton 6 pts., Rosslyn Park A 5.

Forward play dominated the game at Taunton where Rosslyn Park A provided the opposition. The ball was slippery. The School pack played well. Hodge and Watts were prominent in rushes. Hodge also kicked a good penalty goal. The three-quarers were not fast enough, but Raw and Milsom the School halves, combined well. All the scoring took place in the first half. Georgiardi had a good run for the School, and scored an unconverted try. Lord crossed for the Park, and Hughes converted.

Loretto 12 pts., Fettes 3.

In the first half most of the attacking was done by Loretto, chiefly through their forwards. Three tries were scored, all far out, and none was converted. Fettes replied with a try by Grant in the second half. Loretto scored after a breakaway by Cox. The Loretto forwards were much superior in the loose, and took advantage of the heavy condition of the ground.

Bedford School 5 pts., London Scottish A 11.

At Bedford, yesterday, rain and a greasy ball made passing difficult in the match between the School and London Scottish A. Rickars opened the scoring for the School, Moll converting Adams and Findlay scored for the Scottish before half-time. In the second half the Scottish were the aggressors. The School forwards worked hard, Edwards and Cousins being prominent. The tackling on both sides was weak at times, and good passing movements were few. In the end the Scottish won by 1 goal and 2 tries to 1 goal.

Brighton Coll. 3 pts., Harlequins A 13.

The Harlequins visited Brighton and defeated the College fifteen by 13 points to 3. The College forwards played well, but the backs were handicapped by a wet ball. The Harlequins did most of the attacking, making it a fine open game in spite of the rain. For the Harlequins tries were scored by Hodge, Vaulkhard, and Whittaker, Peal converting two. The College try was obtained by Walker.

Eastbourne College 0 pts., Richmond A 34.

Richmond A defeated Eastbourne College by 34 points to nil. In the first half Richmond attacked repeatedly, and handled the wet ball well. Thomas (dropped goal), Hile, Dohee (2), Bickerton, and Maby scored tries. In the second half the College forwards did much better, and brought off some good rushes, but Richmond, by kicking ahead and outpacing the College, scored through Thomas and Clare, each getting in twice. The College forwards played quite well, but their defence in the centre was weak.

Leys nil, St. Paul's 5 pts.

St. Paul's got the ball out quickly from the scrums in their game on the Leys' ground. In the first few minutes C. T. Pascall ran through, for G. G. Shneerson to convert. Leys had quite their share of the game in the first half, Jackson being nearly over. Play was of a give-and-take nature after the interval.

King's (Canterbury) 12 pts., Dover Coll. 6.

King's School, Canterbury, beat Dover College by 12 points to 6. In the first half the King's three-quarters were superior, and before the interval the School scored four times in fairly quick succession. None of the tries was converted. Dover got over once through Barnett. In the second half Dover pressed most of the time, scoring again through Aylivin. The second half was mainly a forward game. Both packs were particularly good.

St. Albans School 21 pts., Royal Masonic School 0.

At St. Albans the Royal Masonic School were easily beaten. Gandie and B. R. Nelson scored tries inthe first half, W. A. Nelson and Betts each converting one. Betts also kicked a good penalty goal. In the second half Gandie obtained two good tries, one of which Betts converted.

Ellesmere College 27 pts., Birkenhead School 0.

After a fine open game, Ellesmere again achieved a decisive victory, this time over Birkenhead School, by 27 points to nil. Although the ground was wet and the ball slippery, the superiority of the Ellesmere halves caused the game to open up considerably. It was only Birkenhead's excellent defence which prevented a bigger score.

Whitgift 0 pts., Christ's Hospital 8.

Though defeated at home by Christ's Hospital, Whitgift School, who were again without two regular members of their team, played well. Their forwards were very good, gaining much ground by means of clever footwork. Evans selling a dummy, scored a try for the visitors; this was converted. The School repeatedly pressed and were very unlucky not to score. Near the end of the game Palmer added another try for Christ's Hospital.

Stowe 32 pts., Radley College 3.

Stowe, playing at home, gained an easy win over Radley College. For Stowe, Cooper (3), Hotham (2), Blandford (2), Salamon, Wilberforce, and Barclay obtained tries, one of which was improved by Kemp. For Radley, Dinwiddie scored a penalty goal. Stowe were the more experienced side, and their backs handled well, considering the wet ball, Cooper ran strongly. The forwards played with great dash in the open. Barclay was also conspicuous. Radley played hard throughout, but their handling was none too sure.

RUGBY RESULTS.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Cheshire	25	Cumberland	9
Durham	16	Northumberland	11
Yorkshire	7	Lancashire	17

CLUB MATCHES.

Blackheath	18	Cambridge Univ.	16
Harlequins	8	Oxford Univ.	11
London Scottish	19	Richmond	6
London Irish	5	Dublin Univ.	3
Devonport Services	0	Bristol	24
Leicester	0	Swansea	0
Llanelly	6	Bridgend	6
Newport	6	Gloucester	3
Northampton	16	Plymouth Albion	6
Neath	3	Skewen	0
Penarth	6	Pontypool	10
U. Services (Ports.)	0	Cardiff	14
Weston-s.-Mare	6	Bath	13
Westminster Bank	16	U.S. Portsmouth	9
Lloyds Bank C	6	L.C.C. B	6
Wasps A	6	Goldsmith Col.	0
Wasps Ex. A	22	N.P. Bank A	0
Wasps Ex. B	39	N.P. Bank B	5
Wasps Ex. C	9	Chartered Acc. B	0
Glas. Acads.	15	R. High Sch.	0
Stewartonians	8	Heriotonians	7
Cheltenham	9	Oxf'd U. Greyhounds	5
T. Cook and Son	17	Beckenham Ex. A	0
L.C.C. A.	13	Ediswan	0
Esher	9	S. Bk. of S.A.	0
Esher A	3	Westminster Bk. A	3
Esher Ex A	5	H.A.C. B	6
Esher B	3	Westminster Bank B	15
Esher C	6	Westmstr. Bk. Ex B	12
Esher Ex C	0	Westmstr. Bk. Ex C	17
Wasps B	27	Guards' Depot A	0
L.C.C. C.	8	Lloyds Bk. Ex C	5
Woodford A	0	St. Mary's Hosp. A.	8
Woodford Ex A	0	Horsham	16
Woodford C	11	Malden A	3
Woodford Ex C	6	Eton Manor A	13
Hendon III.	4	Brockley	0
S. Amer. Bks.	7	L.C.C.	25
Streatham	12	St. Thomas Hosp.	6
Bedford	6	Nuneaton	12
Glas. H. Sch.	8	Watsonians	10
P.L.A.	6	Westminster Hosp.	8
Britannic House A	0	Gidea Park A	9
Catford Bridge	0	Edgware	3
Surrey Yeomanry A	12	Birkbeck Col. B	0
Tunbridge Wells	0	Maidstone	15
Tun. Wells Ex. A	0	Honor Oak Park A	3
Toc H B	3	Mid Herts A	0
Sidcup	16	Westcombe Park	0
Civil Service A	5	Surrey Yeomanry	16
Metro. Police	16	Park House	3
Finchley A	0	H.A.C. A	13
Wimbledon	8	Lyons Club	0
Selfridges	0	King's Col., Camb.	5
Leytonstone A	3	St. Mary's Coll.	10
Leytonstone C	0	Union-Castle	15
G.W.R.	3	Kildare	3
Canterbury	6	Army Sch. of Edu.	3
Newbury	14	Winchester	5
Lloyds Bank	6	West Herts	14
Osterley	14	R. Coll. of Science	8
Osterley A	18	R. Coll. of Science A	3
Broughton Park	3	Notts.	3
Blackwell	6	Derby	3
Ilkeston	6	Westwellians	0
Loughborough Col.	0	Reading University	6
Nottingham Univ	3	Newark	0
Upper Clapton A	0	Queen's Wks., Bedf'd	8
Poly.	6	Centymca	3
Poly. Ex A	5	Barclays Bk. Ex. B	6
Poly. B	0	Civil Service B	14
Poly. C	11	Centymca C	0
H.A.C. C	0	Warlingham A	15
H.A.C. C	0	Wasps C	11
Headingley	6	Halifax	6
Tyldesley	6	Bradford	24
Kendal	17	Otley	0
Harrogate O.B.	6	Ilkley	0
Huddersfield O.B.	18	Wakefield	5
Northern	14	Hull and E.R.	0
Roundhay	5	Morley	0
Skipton	17	Preston G.	11
Leeds Univ.	11	Heaton Moor	0
Bradfordians	22	Bramley O.B	11
U.S. (Chatham)	0	Wasps	6
Upper Clapton B	22	Selfridges A	8
Mid Herts	0	Toc H	11
Sun of Canada A	9	Cuaco A	0
Artists Rifles A	5	Northern Assur.	0
Chiltern	13	Univ. Coll. Hosp.	3
Univ. Coll. Hosp. A	3	Chiltern A	11
L.R. Brigade A.	14	Ilford Wanderers A	21
Napier	0	B.T.H. (London)	3
H.A.C.	12	R.M.C. (Sandhurst)	0
R.A.F. (Kenley)	3	Siemens	6
Siemens A	0	Callenders	0
Sutton	5	Lensbury	8
Lensbury A	9	Sutton A	8
Guildford	20	Dorking	6
Dorking A	6	Guildford A	8
Lond. Sch. Econs. A	0	Rosslyn Park B	48
Harrow Ex. A	3	Saracens Ex. A	11
O. Westminsters	0	Sedgwick C. and Co.	6
Beckenham	8	London Scottish A	14
Beckenham A	13	Blackheath Ex A	14
R.D and C.C. Hosp.	12	Sch. of Economics	6
Std. Telephones	0	Wembley	17
R. Sch. of Mines	9	Exiles	0
Exiles A	22	The Times	0
Westcombe Park A	5	Sidcup A	20
Edgware A	6	Life Guards	3
Lazard	8	Britannic House	3
Westmstr. Bk. Ex. A	6	Cuaco	16
British Celanese	11	Centymca A	0
Warlingham	0	Guy's Hospital A	17
Warlingham A	15	H.A.C. C	0
Crewe and Nantwich	31	R.A.F. (Shrewsbury)	0
L.R. Brigade A	14	Ilford Wans. A	21
Staines	24	L.M.S. Rly.	5
Chartered Acc. A	15	Wasps Ex. C	0
Harpenden B	6	Park House B	5
Thanet Wand.	3	Guy's Hosp. Ex. A	3
Artists Rifles A	5	Northern Assurance	0
N.P. Bank	5	Exeter	8
Old Blues Ex. A	8	Chelmsford A	3
Chelmsford A	6	Old Blues B	3
Upper Clapton	9	1st D. of W'ton Regt.	14

OLD BOYS' MATCHES.

Guy's Hosp.	12	Old Leysians	5
Coventry	8	O.M. Taylors	0
Bart.'s Hosp	6	Old Cranleighans	3
Old Paulines	16	O. Dunstonians	0
O. Millhillians A	6	O. Paulines A	10
Old Paulines B	14	O. Millhillians B	0
O. Millhillians C	10	O. Paulines C	13
O. Paulines Ex. C	31	Western Pk. Ex. C	0
Old Whitgiftians	10	London Irish	8
Old Leysians A	11	Toc H A	5
Clifton	9	O. Edwardians	6
Old Emanuel	3	Bk. of England	12
O. Emanuel A	7	Bk. of England A	0
O. Emanuel B	11	Bk. of Eng. Ex. A	19
O. Emanuel C	0	Bk. of England B	3
O. Emanued Ex. C	6	Bk. of England C	6
Woodford B	15	O. Edmontonians	0
Woodford	8	O. Ethamians	3
O. Nottinghamians	12	Lincoln	3
Westleigh	7	O. Laurentians	0
O. Wyggestonians	6	Notts Univ.	0
Old Birkonians	19	Port Sunlight	8
Old Birkonians II.	6	Port Sunlight II.	0
H.A.C. Ex. C	9	Old Rutlishians C.	3
Catford Bridge A	3	Old Dunstonians A	3
Old Albanians	14	Architectural Assoc.	9
Stan. Bk. of S.A. A	6	Old Askeans A	5
Southend B	11	Old Dartfordians B	3
Midland Bank A	3	Old Haberdashers A	0
Finchley B	0	Old Albanians A	26
Mid. Bank Ex. B	9	O. Haberdash. Ex. B	0
Old Haberdashers	8	Midland Bank	12
O. Haberdash. Ex. A	13	Midland Bank B	6
Old Tiffinians A	6	Cavendish	3
O. Whitgiftians II.	13	Old Johnians	6
Old Leysians A	11	Toc H A	5
Southend	6	Old Dartfordians	0
Rosslyn Park	3	Old Millhillians	0
O. Dunstonians Ex. A	3	Catford Bridge Ex. A	0
King's Col. H. A.	0	Old Blues A	26
Old Mid-Whitgiftians	10	Old Rutlishians A	0
Old Wimbledonians	3	London Hospital A	12
Middlesex Hos. A	0	Old Caterhamians	9
O.M.T.'s Ex. C	19	Saracens D	0
Gidea Park	4	Old Westcliffians	26
Old Williamsonians	3	The School	11
Old Redingensians	11	Swindon	3
London Hospital A	0	Old Haileyburians A	6
Old Rutlishians	13	Worthing	8
O. Berkh'mstedi'ns A	3	Nat. Bank of India	24
Bishop's Stortford A	0	O. M-Whitgiftians A	13
Old Queenians	0	Old Bristo'ians	3
Old Alleynians A	11	R.N.C. (Greenwich) A	3
Old Elthamians B	0	K.C.S. Old Boys B	8
Old Haileyburians B	8	Harpenden A	28
Old Caterhamians A	6	Beckenham B	26
United S. (Portsm'th)	C	K.C.S. Old Boys	23
O.M.T.'s A	8	Blackheath A	23
Old Askeans	7	Old Croyhyians	0
Old Caterhamians A	6	Beckenham Extra B	25

PUBLIC SCHOOLS MATCHES.

Rugby School	3	Uppingham Sch.	0
Sherborne School	14	Downside School	0
Dulwich College	0	Haileybury College	3
Mill Hill School	8	Cranleigh School	3
Leys School	0	St. Paul's School	5
Ampleforth College	8	Sedbergh School	9
Bedford School	5	London Scottish A	11
Llandovery College	6	Lampeter College	0
Merchant Taylors' S.	6	Old Blues Nomads	6
Oakham School	3	Bromsgrove School	20
Wrekin College	0	St. Edward's School.	22
Douai School	24	Nautical College, Pangbourne	19
St. John's School, Leatherhead	0	Richmond Extra A	25
Mt. St. Mary Coll.	11	K.E.S., Birmingham	5
Birkenhead School	0	Ellesmere College	27
Eastbourne College	0	Richmond A	34
Newton College	5	Kelly College	5
Worksop College	19	Denstone College	10
Brighton College	3	Harlequins A	13
Stamford School	19	Trent College	0
Leeds Gram. School	33	Lancaster R.G.S.	10
Royal Belfast A.I.	8	Campbell C., Belfast	11
Bishop's Stortford C.	3	Rosslyn Park A	25
Marlborough College	13	Rosslyn Park A	4
Dover College	6	Kings Sch. Canterb'y	12
Berkhamsted School	8	Lond. Scottish Ex. A	7
Imperial Serv. Coll.	0	Harlequins A	47
Monmouth School	14	Christ Coll., Brecon	3
Stowe School	32	Radley College	3
Harrow School	10	Old Harrovians	24
Durham School	39	St. Peter's Sc., York	0
Whitgift School	0	Christ's Hospital	8
North Ribblesdale	12	Giggleswick School	3
Weymouth College	39	Utd. Servs., Portland	0
Cotton College	9	Ratcliffe College	0
Univ. College School	0	Wadham Col., Oxford	24
Kingswood School	8	Monkton Combe Sch.	3
Wellington S. (Som.)	23	Plymouth College	5
Rydal School	11	Waterloo III.	6
Hereford Cath. Sch.	0	Hereford	17
St. George's School, Harpenden	9	Sutton Valence Sch.	9
Woodbridge School	3	Barnet A	9
St. Albans School	21	Royal Masonic Sch.	0
Colfe School	17	H.M.S. Worcester	0
Brockley School	8	Aske's School (Hatcham)	18
Ipswich School	0	Ipswich R.F.C.	40
King's Sc., Rochester	10	Old Alleynians B	16
King's Sc., Worcester	28	Bloxham School	3
Wimbledon College	3	Rosslyn Park Ex. A	22
Haberdashers' School	8	O.M.T.'s Ex. A	11
Artists Rifles	20	Bedford Mod. Sch.	6
Taunton School	6	Rosslyn Park A	5
St. George's School, Weybridge	6	Rosslyn Park Ex. A	6

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GOLF.

HARD TASKS FOR THE 'VARSITIES.

OXFORD'S COLLAPSE.

Four British Internationalists were in the side originally chosen to represent Addington against Oxford University over the club's course yesterday, but the Hon. W. G. Brownlow and Rex Hartley were unable to play, and in the foursomes Oxford gained a lead of two points, winning three games, losing one, and halving two. Their advantage did not appear likely to be so great at one time, but the American brotherhood, H. Scheftel and S. Scheftel, pulled their game out of the fire to snatch a half after being 4 down with 4 to play against F. W. H. Weaver and S. J. Goodall.

The top match produced the other half, J. P. Marston and J. W. L. Adams recovering against T. A. Torrance and W. A. Powell, after being two down at the fourteenth.

The biggest winning margin of the morning was 3 and 1, secured by A. B. Miller and G. A. Loveday (Oxford) against L. Evelyn-Jones, an old Cambridge University "blue," and D. Bruce Mann. The game was all square at the turn, but the Oxonians won the fourteenth, became dormy at the sixteenth, and took the seventeenth for the match.

Bernard Darwin, who has played for Great Britain, and D. H. Fish were one up at the turn against J. R. Keen and C. Sweeny, who, however, squared matters at the fourteenth, and then went on to win on the last green.

The Dark Blues collapsed in surprising fashion in the afternoon, when they won only two and halved two of the twelve singles games, to lose on the day's play by 11 points to 7. Heavy rain fell after lunch, and the last few games were completed in semi-darkness. Torrance proved too good for Marston in the leading encounter, which the Oxonian lost by 4 and 3. Torrance won the first two holes, but Marston holed an approach putt of 40 yards to win the third in three, while the Dark Blue also secured the fourth to square. Torrance, however, drew away again, and became 2 up by the time the tenth tee was reached. At this hole the Club player required six shots, which reduced his lead, but Torrance won the 12th in three to resume his two holes advantage. Marston failed with a short putt on the 14th green to lose the hole, while the Oxonian also lost the 15th to be beaten.

Powell was 3 up at the turn on Keen, who lost the 10th, 11th, and 13th holes, to be beaten by 6 and 5, while Goodall, after winning the first four holes against Miller, won by 5 and 4. Adams and Robinson alone won for the Varsity, beating Fish and Bruce Mann respectively. The results were:—

FOURSOMES.—J. P. Marston (Trinity and J. W. L. Adams (Balliol) halved with T. A. Torrance and W. A. Powell; J. R. Keen (Wadham) and C. Sweeny (Wadham) (1 up) beat Bernard Darwin and D. H. Fish; H. Scheftel (Balliol) and S. Scheftel (Christ Church) halved with F. W. H Weaver and S. J. Goodall; E. G. Langford (Pembroke) and E. H. Moss (Trinity) lost to G. A. Williamson and W. H. Lambert (2 and 1); A. B Miller (Wadham) and G. A. Loveday (Magdalen) (3 and 1) beat L. Evelyn Jones and D. Bruce Mann; A. F. Becher (New College) and A. G. Robinson (Queen's) (2 up) beat F. Sweeny and N. Le Cron.

SINGLES.—Marston lost to Torrance (4 and 3); Keen lost to Powell (6 and 5); Sweeny lost to Darwin (3 and 2); Adams (3 and 2) beat Fish; H. Scheftel lost to Weaver (3 and 2); Langford halved with Williamson; S. Scheftel lost to Evelyn Jones (5 and 3); Miller lost to Goodall (5 and 4); Loveday halved with Lambert; Moss lost to Sweeny (1 up); Becher lost to Le Cron (4 and 3); Robinson (5 and 4) beat Mann.

THE LEAGUE SUBDUED.

CAMBRIDGE LEAD OLD BLUES.

Over the course of the Royal Worlington and Newmarket Club near Mildenhall, yesterday, Cambridge University began a two days' match against "The League," a team of former Oxford and Cambridge players, and the Cantabs started well by winning the morning four-ball games by 3½ points to 1½. The top match ended all square. R. H. de Montmorency, the veteran international, and T. A. Bourn, the youthful champion of England, who recently returned from a visit to the United States, representing the League against E. M. Prain and W. H. Bermingham. The League players were ahead, going to the tenth, where the game was squared, and though Cambridge, winning two of the next four holes, seemed likely to succeed, Bourn and de Montmorency fought back, won the fifteenth and seventeenth holes and so finished all square.

Some of the best golf of the morning was played by H. M. Row, for Cambridge. He partnered N. A. Keith against T. P. Whitaker and C. F. Penruddock. Row, in the last nine holes, had no fewer than five threes, yet his side only won on the last green. Row placed a mashie niblick shot dead at the eighteenth to secure his fifth three, which won the hole and the match.

R. H. Oppenheimer and E. Martin-Smith, against H. C. Longhurst and W. C. Carr, were the only winners for the League.

Cambridge lost the afternoon series by the odd match, no fewer than four of the five games being carried to the last green. The feature of the play, however, was the holing in one by N. A. Keith (Cambridge) at the seventh hole (162 yards). He accomplished the feat in partnership with H. M. Row, and the pair beat C. F. Penruddock and F. Waters by 4 and 3. Penruddock secured a two at the seventh hole, yet lost it. Prain and Birmingham won the leading game for Cambridge by a hole against Bourn and E. Martin Smith, and on the first day's play Cambridge led by 5½ points to 4½. Details:—

MORNING PLAY.—R. H. de Montmorency and T. A. Bourn halved with E. M. Prain (Clare) and W. H. Bermingham (Sidney Sussex); R. H. Oppenheimer and E. Martin-Smith (2 and 1) beat H. C. Longhurst (Clare) and W. C. Carr (Trinity); T. P. Whitaker and C. F. Penruddock lost to H. M. Row (Jesus) and N. A. Keith (Sidney Sussex) (1 up); F. H. Waters and R. L. Sykes lost to I. K. McRosty (Clare) and H. W Higginson (St. John's) (1 up); R. E. C. Butterworth and R. Thal lost to D. A. Drayson (Clare) and J. W. P. Blenkin (Trinity) (5 and 3).

AFTERNOON PLAY.—Bourn and Martin Smith lost to Prain and Bermingham (1 up); de Montmorency and Whitaker (2 up) beat Longhurst and Carr; Penruddock and Waters lost to Keith and Row (4 and 3); Oppenheimer and Butterworth (1 up) beat McRosty and Higginson; Sykes and Thal (1 up) beat Blenkin and Drayson.

POLICE TO MEET PROFESSIONALS.

C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill), the British match-play champion, will lead a team of Middlesex professionals against a team of police players on November 28 over the Hendon Club's course. Eighteen professionals have been chosen by J. J. Taylor (Potters Bar), who has organised matters from the professionals' side, and it is hoped, with an early start, to play singles and foursomes. In a recent match against a professional team police golfers lost by 14½ points to 3½ on the West Essex Club's course near Chingford.

The team to represent Middlesex professionals is: C. A Whitcombe (Crews Hill), J. J. Taylor (PottersBar), Stewart Burns (Hendon), W. B. Smith (Hadley Wood), G. T. Adams (Hampstead), P. Newbery (Sudbury), A. F. Hockey (Enfield), P. Baxter (Northwood), R. McKenzie (Stanmore), G. Doughty (Edgware), J. B. Batley (Pinner Hill), A. Andrews (Northwick Park), G. Charles (Ealing), E. McInnes (Mote Mount), P. G. Wyatt (Bush Hill Park), R. K. Dalby (Finchley), B. Pearson (Haste Hill), and R. Cheape (Perivale Park).

The Metropolitan Police side of twenty, of whom eighteen will play in the match, is as follows:—Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Royds, Brig.-General Whitehead, Supt. Chamberlin, Sergt. Ravenhill, Sergt Black, Sergt. Cockayne, Station Sergt. Mack, Police-constables McLaughlan, Atwell, Varney, Hunter, Day, Winyard, Jones, Hoile, Atkins, Hurrell, Coles, Alderton, and Davidson.

MIDDLESEX AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

F. H. Rowse (Sudbury) won the Middlesex County Amateur Championship when, in the 36-holes final over the Sudbury Club's course, he beat L. A. Wilson (Muswell Hill), the winner in 1926, 1927, and 1929, by one hole. Wilson beat Rowse by 3 and 2 in the 1927 final, so that there was an added interest in the return encounter. At the end of the morning round Rowse held a lead of two holes This was lost during the first ten holes of the second round, and with neither giving anything away over the later stages the match approached the last green all square. Then, however, Wilson was faced with a short putt for a half which would have necessitated the 37th hole being played, but his ball hit the cup and came out. Rowse winning the title.

OTHER GAMES.

Berkshire defeated West Hill by 8½ points to 3½ in an inter-club match over the Berkshire Club's course, near Ascot. The home club won the Singles by 5½ points to 2½, and secured three of the four Foursomes. The leading Singles match between O. C. Bristowe, the British Internationalist, who was representing West Hill, and E. Noel Layton, who has played on several occasions for England, was halved.

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BILLIARDS.

EMPIRE TOURNAMENT.

BRILLIANT PLAY BY DAVIS.

The billiards attraction in London is being provided by Davis and Newman at Thurston's, Leicester Square, in their heat of the International Tournament. Resuming yesterday afternoon, Davis was leading at 17,165 by 3,557. Both are in receipt of 7,000 start, but the leader has an advantage over Newman, seeing that he has previously played two games on the table now in use. Newman did best in the afternoon session, and by means of 314 and 262 unfinished he aggregated 862 for an average of 86. Davis made runs of 157, 257, 116, and 70, his aggregate being 722 and his average 72. At the interval Davis had scored 17,887 and his opponent 14,470.

The half-way stage was reached at night, with Davis leading by 3,880. The evening's play comprised only two completed innings. In converting an unfinished break of 262 into 886 Newman gave one of his characteristic displays, the ball control throughout being admirable. Taking advantage of the good position left him, Davis, chiefly by top of the table play, made a telling reply, reaching 992 before missing a screw white loser. He had several difficulties to overcome, but his runs of cannons numbered three, namely, 33, 39, and 54. In attempting to save the white Newman made only 5, and Davis then played out time with an unfinished break of 100. The closing scores were:—

DAVIS (rec. 7,000) (in play) ...	18,979
NEWMAN (rec. 7,000)	15,099

LINDRUM OVERHAULS McCONACHY.

The heat in the tournament between Lindrum and McConachy is being played at Southampton. The famous Australian player is conceding McConachy 7,000, but when the halfway stage was reached last night the New Zealand professional had lost all his advantage.

When play was continued yesterday afternoon McConachy held a lead of 274, and was in play with an unfinished break of 680. He made this into 723, and with the scratch man unable to get going he followed with a good break of 284. Lindrum scored 196, after which McConachy went further ahead with a break of 173, but near the end of the session Lindrum played finely, and at the interval was in play with 455, the full scores being:—McConachy, 11,684; Lindrum, 11,566.

At night Lindrum was seen to better advantage and he had an aggregate of 867 to his opponent's 369, the averages of both players being on the small side. This gave him the lead for the first time, his advantage at the half-way stage being 381. Present scores:—

LINDRUM (scr.), 12,433;
McCONACHY (rec. 7,000), 12,052.

BADMINTON.

MIDDLESEX CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Middlesex County Badminton Championship meeting was concluded at Ealing. The final of the Ladies' Singles Championship provided a strenuous battle between Mrs. Barrett, the holder, and Mrs. H. S. Uber. Mrs. Uber won the first set 11—8, but then appeared to tire, and Mrs. Barrett carried off the next two sets, 11—6, 11—5, to retain her title. W. R. Jones, the holder of the Men's Singles Championship, also retained his title, beating M. V. Callendar comfortably in the final, 15—7, 15—2.

MIDDLESEX CHALLENGE WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Restricted). — Semi-Final: Mrs. J. C. B. Nias and Miss C. Patten beat Miss K. MacKenzie and Miss Y. D. Bowden, 15—3, 15—7; Mrs. V. M. Engelbach and Mrs. R. L. Barton beat Mrs A. Hayne and Miss M. Arno, 18—14, 15—9. Final: Mrs. Nias and Miss Patten beat Mrs. Engelbach and Mrs. Barton, 15—12, 15—11.

WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Semi-Final: Mrs. H. S. Uber beat Miss J. R. Stewart, 11—3, 7—11, 11—3; Mrs. M. Barrett (holder) beat Mrs. F. Crosbie, 11—2, 11—1. Final: Mrs. Barrett beat Mrs. Uber 8—11, 11—6, 11—5.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP. — Semi-Final: M. V. Callendar beat G. R. Sherwell, 15—11, 10—15, 15—9; W. B. Jones (holder) beat S. Jackson, 15—6, 15—10. Final: Jones beat Callendar, 15—7, 15—2.

VETERANS' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: P. W. Wooster and J. H. C. Prior beat L. Sauves and R. D. Marshall (holders), 15—12, 8—15, 15—13.

LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Semi-Final: Mrs E. Sainsbury and Miss V. Elton beat Miss J. R. Stewart and Miss B. E. Speaight, 15—6, 15—10. Mrs. C. J. Wheatley and Mrs. H. S. Uber (holders) beat Mrs. R. C. Tragett and Miss D. J. Colpoys, 14—18, 18—14, 15—6. Final: Mrs. Wheatley and Mrs. Uber beat Mrs. Sainsbury and Miss Elton, 15—4, 18—14.

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Semi-Final: S. Jackson and F. Hodge beat M. M. Field and E. Bowyer, 18—15, 15—5. P. D. Macfarlane and G. R. Sherwell beat W. R. Burton and E. Phillipps, 18—16, 15—14. Final: Jackson and Hodge beat Macfarlane and Sherwell, 15—9, 12—15, 15—11.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Restricted).—Final: S. C. Minard and A. de Vial beat L. H. Welch and M. V. Callendar, 15—11, 15—12.

OXFORD'S TEAM v. CAMBRIDGE.

The Oxford University Badminton team which will oppose Cambridge University at the Crystal Palace on November 25 will be as follows:—

SINGLES.—E. L. Seyd (Gresham's and University) (capt.); T. W. B. Ambrose (Penang and Keble); H. T Dyson (Bootham and Jesus); J. B. Girling (U.C.S. and Keble); R. A. F. Brenan (Monkton Combe and Wadham); E. H. W. Gardner (Rugby and Hertford).

DOUBLES.—Seyd and Ambrose; Dyson and Brenan; Girling and Gardner.

FOURSOMES TOURNAMENT AT STOKE POGES.

The annual Foursomes tournament of the Stoke Poges Club was begun on their course, near Slough, when the first two rounds were decided. Results:—J. Bernard (12) and L. Nathan (16) beat J. D. Akern (9) and B. L. Rose (2) by 2 and 1; W. W. Harris (3) and Dr. K. Taylor (9), w.o.; W. G. Jones (14) and E. N. Strawson (16), w.o.; K. Barnard (6) and F. A. Waller (16) beat R. E. S. Casares (7) and L. Cambridge (6) by one hole; D. B. Gray (8) and A. Pemberton (9) beat Dr. C. C. Chance (9) and Dr. R. M. Chance (7) at the 19th; R. O. Mobbs (6) and E. Noel Mobbs (1) beat A. Campbell (13) and Major Mewin (15) by 7 and 6.

SECOND ROUND.—Harris and Taylor beat Bernard and Nathan by one hole; Barnard and Waller beat Jones and Strawson by 7 and 6; Gray and Pemberton w.o.

Over their own course, Burhill defeated St. George's Hill by 7½ points to 4½, winning the Singles by 5 games to 3 and the Foursomes by two matches to one, with one halved.

CLUB COMPETITIONS.

BECKENHAM.—M.M.—Sen.: J. Matthew, 78—4=74. Jun.: P. D. Edwards, 92—24=68.

BRADLEY.—B.C.: W. E. Butler, 2 down. M.B.—Sen.: W. E. Butler and A. H. Hughes tied at 4 down. Jun.: K. J. Stevens and A. M. Swayne tied at 4 down.

CANTERBURY.—Founders Plate.—Final: R. R. Little beat K. L. Hubble by 1 up. M.M., 1st Div.: E. U. Hubble, 82—8=74. 2nd Div.: E. G. Hunt, 93—16=77; C. H. French, 90—13=77; and Major Wood, 101—24=77, tied.

CHERTSEY.—M.M.: K. Witherington, 88—11=77.

COOMBE HILL.—W.B.: R. B. Foster (scr.), all square.

CULVERDEN (TUNBRIDGE WELLS). — M.B.: M. N. Evans (5) and W. R. Stewart (9) tied at all square.

DENHAM.—M.B.: R. S. Scott (7) and E. H. Thierry (18) tied at 1 down.

EALING.—M.B.—First Div.: Hardy Butler (6), Rolland Green (9), and A. G. Hazell (10), tied at 1 down. Sec. Div.: I. R Evans (18), 1 up

FLACKWELL HEATH.—M.B.: G. H. Grundy (10) and C. T. Pollard (10) tied at 2 down.

GOODWOOD.—M.M.: H. P. Lock, 77, scratch=77, and A. A. Smith, 86—9=77, tied.

HADLEY WOOD.—M.B.—Senior: H. I. Lock (10), 1 down. Junior: J. N. Lamont (20), 1 down.

HENDON.—M.M.—Senior: A. F. Carris, 80—10=70. Junior: F. W. Bristow, 91—15=76. Ladies' M.M.—Senior: Mrs. Salmon, 95—18=77. Junior: Mrs. Hunter, 105—28=77. Scratch Gold Medal (replayed).—Mrs. Minor won.

HINDHEAD.—M.M.: R. N. M. Murray, 79—4=75, and Capt. C. E Turle, 87—12=75, tied.

IFIELD.—M.M.: Major G. Harrison, 86—7=79.

MAIDENHEAD.—Bulkeley Biddell Shield: W. H. Goldsmith (16), 1 up.

MANNINGS HEATH.—Captain P.: J. H. Wallace (3), all square.

PRINCE'S (SANDWICH).—M.M.: R. Van der Woude, 89—12=77.

PURLEY DOWNS.—M.M.—Senior: R. B. S. Francis, 79—6=73. Junior: A. Docking, 90—13=77.

REDHILL AND REIGATE.—M.B.—Senior: W. E. Pennick (12), 3 up. Junior: H. S. S. Adams (15), 4 down.

STANMORE.—Par Competition: W. R. Mole, all square.

WEST MIDDLESEX.—M M.—Sen.: W. Anderson, 85—8=77. Jun.: P. Norman, 91—14=77.

ICE HOCKEY.

In an ice hockey match at Hammersmith teams representing Great Britain and Germany played a drawn match, each side scoring one goal. Germany opened the scoring, but in the final period Britain equalised through J. C. P. Manwood.

ATHLETICS.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACES.

CAMBRIDGE BEAT S.L.H.

South London Harriers, the Southern Counties cross-country champions, visited Cambridge for their annual match with the University, and were even more heavily defeated than they had been by Oxford a week earlier. The visitors were without E. L. Humphries, their brilliant young new junior who, finishing fourth in the race with Oxford University, had led his team home on that occasion; and B. C. V. Oddie, South London Harriers' international runner could get no nearer to the front at Cambridge than third. The visitors were beaten by 28 points, Cambridge University Hare and Hounds having the lower score of 25 points to 53. Throughout the race of 7½ miles rain fell, but A. C. J. Goode (St. John's), who beat O. J. Rooke (Sidney Sussex) by 25 yards for first place, did 41 min. 58 sec., Oddie being 600 yards behind the second man. Cambridge packed well, and had seven men home in the first eight, the order of finishing being:—

A. C. J. Goode (St. John's), Cambridge, time 41 min. 58 sec., 1; O. J. Rooke (Sidney Sussex), Cambridge, 42 min. 3 sec., 2; B. C. V. Oddie, S.L.H., 44 min. 28 sec., 3; B. H. Page (Peterhouse), Cambridge, 4; E. D. Denison (Sidney Sussex), Cambridge, 5; J. G. Giddins (Jesus), Cambridge, 6; E. I. Akeroyd (Emmanuel), Cambridge, 7; H. S. M. Hesketh (Magdalene), Cambridge, 8; J. G. Stubbs, S.L.H., 9; L. A. Pool, S.L.H., 10.

NORTH OF THAMES CHAMPIONSHIP.

A KEEN RACE.

Two hundred and forty runners, representing thirty-three teams, took part in the five miles inter-team race of the North of the Thames Cross Country Association, held in the vicinity of Hendon Aerodrome yesterday. The entry was a record for the event, and though it was not expected that Polytechnic Harriers, last year's winners, would triumph again, owing to the barring clauses which ruled out their successful team of that occasion, they started brilliantly in their quest of further honours, R. Hadland (Polytechnic H.) leading home the runners in 33 min. 41 sec.

The course was one of three circuits, and at the end of the first W. B. Hutt (Hampstead H.), H. T. Ralfs (Hampstead H.), and H. Coates (Slough A.C.) were together in 10 min. 45 sec., closely followed by Hadland and W. H. G. Green (Dagenham H.). Hutt and Coates were still together, in 22 min. 27 sec., when the runners came round for the second time, but Hadland, who was then only six seconds behind, drew away on the last circuit and beat Coates by six seconds, Coats being eight seconds ahead of Hutt.

The inter-team race resulted as follows:—Southgate and Wood Green A.A. (8, 12, 13, 17), 50 points, 1; Southend and County H. (7, 11, 18, 26), 62, 2; Polytechnic H. (1, 5, 16, 41), 63, 3; Essex Beagles, 114; Hampstead H., 118; Loughton A.C., 124; Woodford Green A.C., 132; Finchley H., 151; Ilford A.C., 161; Slough A.C., 214; Queen's Park H., 258; Ealing H., 270; Wycombe Phoenix H., 299; St. Mary's (Hornsey) H., 301.

SOUTH OF THE THAMES RACE.

A LOCAL VICTORY.

The South of the Thames Junior District races were run in two divisions—that for clubs in the county of Kent being decided over a distance of about 5½ miles, comprising one lap of a large field and two circuits of sticky country. There were eighty-five runners, representing eleven teams from five clubs, and all but three of the starters were timed in. The result was a success for the Dartford Harriers A team, whose scoring four totalled 25 points, and beat Cambridge Harriers A by 8 points, Darnley Athletic Club, with 51 points, being beaten well into third place, but having the satisfaction of supplying the first man home in J. Wiggans, whose time was 33 min. 25 sec. J. Booker was first home for the winning team.

THE SURREY EVENT.

Five miles on a figure-eight course were covered by the competitors in the Surrey and Berkshire race, held in the Epsom district, and though heavy rain fell towards the end of the contest, the course, mainly on grassland, provided "easy going." Mitcham A.C.'s A team won the honours by finishing their scoring quartet in the first nineteen positions to provide a toal of 45 points. Individual honours went to L. Humphris (South London Harriers) in 30 min. 33 sec.

CAMBRIDGE INTER-COLLEGIATE RELAYS.

The Cambridge University Inter-Collegiate relays meeting was continued at Cambridge, with the decision of the heats of the 600 yards and one mile events. The finals will be decided on Tuesday. Yesterday's results were:—

600 YARDS RELAY.—Division I.—First Heat: Pembroke, 1; Emmanuel, 2; Clare 3. 25 yards. Time, 62 sec. Second Heat: Trinity Hall, 1; Caius, 2; St. Catharine's, 3. 12 yards. Time, 62 3-5 sec. Third Heat: Christ's, 1; St. John's, 2; Peterhouse, 3. 20 yards. Time, 62 3-5 sec.

600 YARDS.—Division II.—First Heat: Trinity, 1; Queen's, 2; Jesus, 3. 10 yards. Time, 64 sec. Second Heat: Selwyn, 1; Downing, 2; Fitzwilliam House disqualified. Time, 64 sec. Third Heat: Sidney Sussex, 1; Magdalene, 2. 25 yards. Time, 65 3-5 sec.

ONE MILE RELAY.—Division I.—First Heat: Pembroke, 1; St. Catharine's, 2. 35 yards. Time, 3 min. 39 sec. Second Heat: Christ's, 1; St. John's, 2. 35 yards. Time, 3 min. 33 2-5 sec. Third Heat: Trinity Hall, 1; Caius, 2; Clare, 3. 40 yards. Time, 3 min. 33 4-5 sec.

ONE MILE RELAY.—Division II.—First Heat: Sidney Sussex, 1; Selwyn, 2; Jesus, 3. Inches. Time, 3 min. 47 sec. Second Heat: Fitzwilliam House, 1; Downing, 2. 8 yards. Time, 3 min. 43 3-5 sec. Third Heat: Trinity, 1; Queen's, 2. yards. Time 3 min. 42 2-5 sec.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY BEAT ORION.

Oxford University Hare and Hounds scored another success when they defeated Orion Harriers, over seven and a-half miles at Chingford, by 29 points to 49. The going was very heavy and visibility was poor, but the Dark Blues packed well and four of their team finished in the first five positions. D. F. Elgie (Orion) led for the first three miles, but was then caught and passed by C. J. Mabey (Oxford), and shortly afterwards Elgie was beaten into third place by G. G. Davies (Oxford), these three finishing in the order named. Mabey's time was 44 min. The first twelve to finish were:—

C. J. Mabey (St. Edmund Hall), 44 min., 1; G. G. Davies (Oriel), 44.23, 2; D. F. Elgie (Orion), 44.35, 3; G. T. Horniball (Brasenose) and N. B. Smellie (New College), 44.50, equal 4; R. C. Norton (Orion), 44.55, 6; G. G. Wilds (Balliol), 44.57, 7; R. G. Ries (Orion), 46.10, 8; G. E. Ross (Orion), 46.12, 9; J. N. Feathers (Brasenose), 46.30, 10; W. L. Ager (Orion), 46.32, 11; J. S. Greene (Keble), 46.53, 12.

The team placings were as follow:—Oxford University: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7,10=29 pts.; Orion Harriers: 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12=49 pts.

R.M.C. BEAT LONDON UNIVERSITY.

Although supplying the first man home in F. Bullen, London University were beaten by Royal Military College in a cross-country match over 6½ miles of heavy country at Camberley, the R.M.C., who packed remarkably well, winning with an aggregate of 101 pts. against the Varsity's 216 pts. The competitors had to contend with heavy rain and a strong wind, but a good race was witnessed, Bullen winning from M. E. Ovans (R.M.C.) in 38 min. 52 sec. The College had ten representatives in the first twelve positions. Leading finishers:—

F. Bullen, London University, 38 min. 52 sec., 1; M. E. Ovans, R.M.C., 38.57, 2; A. W. D. Godfrey, London University, 39.12, 3; N. S. Holmes, R.M.C., 39.14, 4; A. C. G. Wimbush, R.M.C., 39.19, 5; G. P. V. Sanders, R.M.C., 39.21, 6; R. M. Crosthwaite, R.M.C., 39.23, 7; J. S. Vickers, R.M.C., 39.26, 8; C. M. F. Deakin, R.M.C., 39.36, 9; G. Lerwell, R.M.C., 39.39, 10; J. D. Crawford, R.M.C. 40.01, 11; C. S. Mackenzie, R.M.C., 40.12, 12

WESTMINSTER BANK WIN BY ONE POINT.

Westminster Bank Sports Club gained an exciting victory by 1 point over Ranelagh Harriers in a cross-country match over 5¼ miles at Epsom Downs. Running twelve a-side (with eleven to score), the Bank aggregated 126 points to Ranelagh's 127, and the result is all the more interesting when it is recalled that in a similar match a year ago Ranelagh were successful by 1 point.

OTHER EVENTS.

In a five-aside cross-country match over five miles at Roehampton Bank of England "A" defeated King's College (London) by 27 points to 28.

Although they provided the first man home in E. B. Fowle, South London Harriers II. were heavily defeated by Cambridge University II. over seven miles at Coulsdon the Light Blues scoring 35 points to 70.

Over seven and a-half miles of heavy going at Hayes (Kent) London Scottish Harriers beat Blackheath Harriers by 67 points to 71. The first six were: H. S. Byrne (L.S.), 43.41, 1; J. McIntosh (L.S.), 43.55, 2; D. P. Jarvis (B.H.), 43.59, 3; R. A. E. Galley (B.H.), 44.27, and P. C. Noakes (B.H.), 44.27, equal 4; G. J. Richmond (L.S.), 44.50, 6.

Oxford University Hare and Hounds "A" accomplished a good performance at Oxford in beating Orion Harriers "A" by 40 points to 65. M. F. Peacock (Wellington and Brasenose), who was first man home, covered the heavy course of 7½ miles in 44 min. 30 sec.

FENCING.

GROSVENOR BEAT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

INTERESTING PLAY.

By M. POLLOCK-SMITH.

Grosvenor, the premier Artisan Club, fought a five-a-side épée match at home against University College, and beat them by 14 wins to 10 after a most interesting contest.

Considering that Grosvenor are épée specialists and that their team included the ex-champion B. Childs, and a finalist in J. C. Ellis, the University—not at full strength—put up an excellent fight. Generally their épéeists held the sword arm rigid while keeping the point in line, which slowed their parries, and Barnett, the exception, appropriately headed their list with 4 wins 1 defeat.

Johnston was combative to a reckless degree, Brée was doggedly obstinate in defence, and Pearson and Playfair both showed fine concentration, but were beaten by more experienced and better swordsmen.

Knowing the power they were against, the University anticipated heavy loss, and fought with a determination which gives promise of future success.

For Grosvenor Ellis survived unbeaten, Hodgson and Fountain each contributed three wins, while Childs did not appear as serious as usual, although his change beat attack to Playfair's chest was a splendid hit.

Grosvenor opened with five consecutive wins before Barnett drew first blood for the Varsity by a clever touch on Kent's leg, after twice driving him down the piste. Brée then scored a nice hit, through keeping his point in line on Fountain's rash movement. Then followed one of the best assaults of the match. In this Pearson faced Hodgson and refused to be disconcerted by his opponent's constant movement, when Hodgson, after accustoming his adversary to false attacks, suddenly flung the point out in earnest to score a good touch on the underarm.

A tedious duel between Brée and Hodgson followed, in which both showed complete lack of initiative, the verdict ultimately going to the home player, to give them an 8—3 lead. Pearson then scored one of the best hits of the match by a flèche riposte by 1—2 to Childs's body, and Barnett later proved the strength of his attack when he won a decisive hit on Hodgson.

The last round opened with Grosvenor leading 12—7, and safe from defeat, when Barnett's good touch on Childs postponed the result. Ellis' fine 1—2 attack on Brée in the subsequent fight won the match at 13—8 and 3 to go, then Pearson scored a very good renewed attack by doublé to Kent's body. Fountain's stop on Johnston's fierce onslaught made 14—9, and the match closed with Playfair's well judged attack on Hodgson's arm, at 14—10. Details:—

GROSVENOR.—J. C. Ellis, 5 wins, 0 defeats; W. Fountain and J. Hodgson, each 3—2; F. Kent, 2—3; B. Childs, 1—3 c.d. Total, 14 wins.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—V. H. Barnett, 4—1; C. G. Brée and E. B. Pearson, each 2—3; E. Johnston, 1—3 c.d.; V. D. Playfair, 1—4. Total, 10 wins.

CAMBRIDGE BEATEN.

LIGHT BLUES WEAK IN SABRE.

In a three-weapon match the London Fencing Club beat Cambridge University at the Quay Side Rooms, Cambridge, by sixteen victories to eleven. Details:—

SABRE.—London F.C.: G L. Harry, 3 wins; Lt.-Col. Ridley Martin, 3 wins; R. Ridley Martin, 1 win. Cambridge: R J. P. Stewart (Trinity), 0 wins; H. R. Higgens (Peterhouse), 1 win; G. R. Wright (Corpus Christi), 1 win.

EPEE.—London F.C.: R. Ridley Martin, 1 win; Count Ravelli, 0 wins; G. V. Hett, 3 wins; Cambridge: R. J. P. Stewart (Trinity), 2 wins; W. G. Walter (King's), 1 win; D. V. Morse (King's), 2 wins.

FOIL.—London F.C.: Count Ravelli, 2 wins; R. H. King Hamilton, 1 win; G. V. Hett, 3 wins. Cambridge: D. V. Morse (King's), 1 win; N. G. Abercrombie, 1 win; J. G. Grace (Christ's), 2 wins.

POLYTECHNIC F.C. EPEE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The annual épée championship of the Polytechnic Fencing Club was decided at the Polytechnic, Regent Street. A. E. Pelling secured the title by leading the pool of ten competitors with one defeat. Results:—

A. E. Pelling, 1 defeat, 1; C. E. Crosland, E. F. Mowlem, and R. Ratman, each 3 defeats, equal 2; R. Lioret (holder), 4 defeats, 5; L. A. Mowlem, 3 defeats 1 double hit, and E. J. Morten, 4 defeats 2 double hits, equal 6; W. W. Straker, 7 defeats, 8; C. J. Stonhold, 7 defeats 1 double hit, 9; D. S. Martin, 8 defeats, 10.

MOUNTBATTEN CUP.

To-morrow, the semi-finals of the first annual contest for the Lady Louis Mountbatten Cup will be contested at the Bachelor Girls' Exhibition at 6.30 and 7.30 p.m. This event has broken every previous record with its entry of sixty-eight, and the final eight will fight for the Cup on Wednesday at the Exhibition, at 6.30 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

On Saturday next the third annual Anglo-Scottish three-weapon match will be fought at the Hotel Victoria at 2.30 p.m. Last year's contest—held in Edinburgh—was retained by England by the narrow margin of one fight.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS "SOCCER."

Westminster 2, Charterhouse 4.

This match was played in heavy rain at Vincent Square, and though both teams overcame the difficult conditions very creditably Charterhouse, on the whole, adapted themselves the better. Moss gave Charterhouse the lead after 25 minutes. Westminster equalised through J. G. Byrne. J. H. Greening, who played well at inside left, put Charterhouse ahead before half time, and Pope increased their lead directly after the restart. Greening scored again soon afterwards. Westminster retaliated, A. R. Marshall reducing the lead ten minutes from time.

Wellingborough 1, Old Wellingburians 5.

Wellingborough fielded four teams against the Old Wellinburians. The first eleven were outplayed and lost by 5 goals to 1. The second eleven won by the margin of 4 goals to 1, while the third eleven played a drawn game, each side scoring one goal. Ten goals were scored in the game between the fourth elevens, and the school side won by 6 goal to 4.

Shrewsbury 1, Liverpool Ramblers 2.

This game at Shrewsbury was completely spoilt by rain. Skelton and Airey scored for the visitors, and Seaver for the School.

Bradfield 4, New College 2.

Bradfield's home victory over New College was their sixth of the term. The conditions were most unfavourable, and both sides found difficulty in controlling the ball. P. Z. Bathurst, R. N. Rayne, F. E. W. Tarry, and Stephan scored for the School, and Stock and Louden for New College.

Repton 2, Malvern 4.

Malvern fully deserved their win at Repton. Repton, with wind and rain in their favour led by 2—1 at the interval, but Malvern rallied in the second half. J. B. Aitcheson (2), F. G. Hamilton (2), scored for Malvern, and R. D. Llewellyn and Smith for Repton.

Highgate 1, Old Aldenhamians 3.

Highgate were unlucky to lose so heavily. The visitors scored twice in the first five minutes through K. E. B. Golding. E. L. Ridge added a third, and D. F. Bull reduced the lead just before half-time. The school had the better of the game in the second half, but failed to score.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Heavy rain spoilt the City Club's winter meeting at Bisley. G. F. Booth, who scored 65 points of a possible 70, won the contest. The conditions were seven shots at 300 and 600 yards. The Stock Exchange held spoon, time limit, and trustees' and managers' contests and three team matches in the City ranges. There was some good shooting. J. Coates, E. A. Hankins, F. P. Mosely, and R. Riley tied in the spoon contest, each scoring 99 points. The time-limit contest was won by E. A. Hankins, 99 points; and F Beard, I. C. Capper, and W. Wilkins, who each scored 98 points, tied in the trustees' and managers' contest. The "A" team defeated Crouch End by 586 points to 567; the "B" team were defeated by Willesden by 580 points to 568; and the "C." team beat British Ropes by 586 points to 549.

LACROSSE RESULTS.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Oxford University ...	15	Willoughby	3
Surbiton	10	Hampstead	4
Lee	6	Catford	5
Cambridge Univ.	5	Buckhurst Hill	5

DIVISION II.

Henry Thornton Sch.	14	Surbiton II.	0

DIVISION III.

Lee II.	6	Catford II.	2
Old Dunstonians ...	9	Wallington	2
Purley	10	Purley II.	4

VARSITY ROWING.

LOCK TO LOCK TRIALS AT CAMBRIDGE.

VARYING CONDITIONS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAMBRIDGE, Saturday.

It was unfortunate that the weather changed for the worse at Cambridge to-day, and after enjoying a week's fine weather, the three trial eight crews had to row their "lock to lock" trial under very mixed conditions. A crew, who got away first, were the most fortunate as it only just commenced to rain when they had got halfway over. B crew, three-quarters of an hour afterwards, had rain and half a gale of wind, whilst C crew had a steady downpour with less wind and semi-darkness, as they did not complete the course until nearly five o'clock.

There was a good muster of old Blues and rowing men, and those following the crews included the president, T. A. Brocklebank (Third Trinity); the secretary, P. N. Carpmael (Jesus); P. Haig-Thomas (Third Trinity); T. R. B. Sanders (Third Trinity); R. W. M. Arbuthnot (Third Trinity); J. A. Macnab (Third Trinity); W. F. Smith (First Trinity); R. N. Craig (Pembroke); T. D. A. Collett (Pembroke), and Sir Henry Howard. The crews rowed from Victoria Bridge to Little Bridge, about three miles down stream, and the start was somewhat delayed, A crew getting away just before three o'clock.

There was quite a large following for this crew, who maintained a steady twenty-six or so over the greater part of the course, working up to thirty at the finish. They passed Pike and Eel in 7 min. 50 sec., and completed the course in 17 min. 23 sec.

B crew were 8 min. 9 sec. in reaching the Pike and Eel, and took 18 min. 8 sec. for the whole distance, but they had a very strong side wind to contend with from Ditton Corner. C crew came over last and passed the Pike and Eel in 8 min., taking another 10 min. for the remainder of the journey, making 18 min. in all. Of the three eights, A crew were undoubtedly the better, as they were intended to be. Their rhythm was better, and although they rowed at a slower stroke they did the best time. Six and seven in this crew attracted attention, and should be heard of again. There was not much to choose between the two other crews. They certainly worked harder, but all the crews left their greatest effort to the last few hundred yards, when they could have with advantage put more into it over the earlier stages. With the advent of all the available Blues—excepting the President and Secretary—and old trial caps on Monday, when light ships will be used for the first time this term, many of to-day's candidates will, of course, be dropped; but there is no doubt that there will be a few survivors who should race at Ely on Saturday week. The crews were:—

A CREW.—A. W. Anstey (Jesus) (bow), 11 st. 1 lb.; G. P. Easten (Lady Margaret), 11 st 2 lb.; F. W. Symonds (Lady Margaret), 11 st. 10 lb.; L. Luxton (Pembroke), 12 st. 4 lb.; D. St. J. Gogarty (Pembroke), 12 st. 5 lb.; G. Gray (Queen's), 13 st. 2 lb.; C. J. S. Sergel (Clare), 12 st. 7 lb.; R. B. F. Wylie (Clare) (stroke), 12 st. 10 lb.; J. M. Ranking (Pembroke) (cox), 6 st. 13 lb.

B CREW. — E. H. Schupbach (Lady Margaret) (bow), 11 st. 3 lb.; T. W. Reed (Jesus), 11 st. 9 lb.; A. H. O'Connor (First Trinity), 12 st. 3 lb.; T. M. Russell (Clare), 12 st.; G. B. Shields (Corpus Christi), 13 st. 9 lb.; O. P. Gunning (First Trinity), 13 st. 3 lb.; F. S. A. Doran (Emmanuel), 12 st. 8 lb.; F. J. Dodd (Emmanuel) (stroke), 11 st. 5 lb.; C. D. Eberstein (Jesus) (cox), 8 st. 11 lb.

C CREW. — J. R. Owen (Lady Margaret) (bow), 12 st. 1 lb.; O. Issard Davies (Corpus Christi), 11 st. 11 lb.; J. C. Wansey (Selwyn), 13 st. 1 lb.; J. W. Bradley (Pembroke), 13 st. 7 lb.; J. I. Moore (Lady Margaret), 12 st. 13 lb.; F. S. R. Foster (Selwyn), 12 st. 1 lb.; H. L. Kitching (Emmanuel), 11 st. 1 lb.; F. J. Connell (Lady Margaret) (stroke), 11 st. 9 lb.; H. M. Carson (Lady Margaret) (cox), 8 st. 9 lb.

POSITION AT OXFORD.

STRENUOUS PHASE AHEAD.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

OXFORD, Saturday.

After all, the boat race is to be rowed on Saturday, March 21, which means that it will take place at the end of the break following the end of full term. At one time the date of the boat race was invariably the Saturday before Good Friday, but this sometimes entailed considerable hardship on those immediately concerned, and with Good Friday this year on April 18, it meant that only a fortnight's Easter Vacation was possible for those rowing in the crew. Next year, however, they will get five weeks.

The decision of the Boat Club to remove the restriction with regard to the length of slides in the Torpid races seems to have given general satisfaction, although, of course, there are some who would have preferred to see the old order of things continued. They, however, are in a big minority.

One feature of this year's rowing has been the extraordinary number of crews that have been practising for the Clinker Fours—nearly twenty, in fact. Some colleges, indeed, have had three crews on. The entries do not close until next week, but the standard is very poor, and if some of them enter it is inconceivable that they do so with any hope of success.

The president, D. E. Tinne (University College), and the secretary, L. Clive (Christchurch), have had a very brisk week with the trials crews "A" and "B," while C. F. Martineau (University College) and M. J. Waterhouse (Balliol) have been sharing the supervision of "C" crew, who have by now probably come out of training.

At the moment it is impossible to say how the two crews will be constituted, but there are several men of great promise who only require efficient coaching to develop into first-class oarsmen.

Five who rowed last year again have seats in either "A" or "B." A. M. Emmet (University) has been promoted to 7 in "A" crew, and R. H. Dutton (University College) is now rowing 6 in "B." W. L Garstang (Trinity) again fills one of the bow seats, while J. F. Platts Mills (Balliol) and R. A. J. Poole (Brasenose), who were 2 and 3 in the losing crew last year, are respectively rowing at 5 in "A" and 7 in "B." Names and weights:—

"A" CREW.—W. L. Garstang (Trinity) (bow), 11 st. 7½ lb.; C. de C. Mellor (Pembroke), 10 st. 6½ lb.; W. D. C. Erskine Crum (Christ Church), 12 st. 3 lb.; P. Aitken (Exeter), 12 st. 7½ lb.; J. F. F. Platts Mills (Balliol), 13 st. 4 lb.; M. G. Powell (Trinity), 12 st. 3 lb.; A. M. Emmet (University College), 11 st. 13 lb.; E. W. G. Holdsworth (Brasenose) (str.), 11 st. 9½ lb.; D. Pritchard (Worcester) (cox), 8 st. 9 lb.

"B" CREW.—G. A. Ellison (New College) (bow), 11 st. 5½ lb.; M. Milne Watson (Balliol), 11 st. 5½ lb.; D. K. C. O'Malley (Christ Church), 11 st. 1 lb.; P. A. Tinne (University College). 12 st. 11½ lb.; G. M. Smith (Brasenose), 12 st. 5½ lb.; R. M. Dutton (University College), 14 st. 4 lb.; R. A. J. Poole (Brasenose), 13 st. 6 lb.; C. A. Charwyck Healey (Trinity) (str.), 11 st. 3½ lb.; J. L. Lulwyche (Magdalen) (cox), 8 st. 8½ lb.

"C" CREW.—J. M. Freeman (University College), 11 st. 5 lb.; H. J. Hadow (Balliol), 11 st. 4 lb.; J. Bayly (New College), 13 st. 7 lb.; L. P. Addison (Worcester), 13 st. 2 lb.; E. N. G. Maby (Trinity), 12 st. 3 lb.; P. Robinson (Queen's), 12 st. 4½ lb.; H. D. Barmby (Magdalen), 11 st. 2 lb.; T. W. Childs (Merton) (str.), 12 st. 10 lb.; M. L. Harvey (St. Peter's Hall) (cox), 8 st. 7 lb.

CLUB ROWING.

WEST END A.R.A. WINTER FOURS.

The Winter Fours for the Robert Everett Challenge Cup were advanced a stage yesterday at Hammersmith. In "C" Division Holborn scored their third successive win. The results were:—

Division "A."—Heat 1: Kildare. H. N. Robertson (bow), E. Hayes, S. A Spratt, W. S. Saunders (str.), and L. G. Davern (cox), 1; Harrodians, 2. Won by 2 lengths.

Division "B."—Heat 1: Kensington Argyll. T. R Marrison (bow), S. G. Crisp, G. Robinson, A. L. Porter (str.), and H. Hopkins (cox), 1; Alpha, 2 Won easily. Heat 2: Clarence. C. L. Free (bow), R. Lamming, F. A. Gurney, J. Kilcoyne (str.), and G. D. Hill (cox), 1; Holborn, 2. Won by 3 lengths.

Division "C."—Heat 1: Kensington Argyll. A. G Pratt (bow), F. Cuthbert S. Nash, J. K. James (str.), and P. Robinson (cox) 1; Victoria, 2. Heat 2: Holborn. G. R. Johnson (bow), G. Tregilgas. J. W. Buckland A. B. Butter (str.), S. W. King (cox), 1; Clarence, 2. Won by 3 lengths.

CYGNET R.C. EIGHTS.

The Autumn Eights were rowed off over a mile course at Hammersmith, the final heat resulting as follows:—E. E. Downer (bow), H. R. Hamlin, H. C. Fitzpatrick, T. F. Bunting, H. P. Murphy, J. T. Murray, S. J. Dewey, J. M. Adams (str.), and J. A. Bilson (cox), 1; W. Jennings's crew, 2; J. Colley's crew, 3. Won by ¾ length.

AUTUMN CLINKER EIGHTS.

The Sabin Challenge Tankard was competed for yesterday at Putney by Junior Heavyweight Eights, who rowed from Harrods to the Vesta boathouse. Quintins, holders of the trophy, provided two crews in the final, and their heavyweights beat Vesta by half a length, Quintins lightweight being third, a length behind. The winning crew comprised: J. Jennings (bow), C. Edwards, H. S. V. Robson, J. O. H. Norton, W. J. Brace, C. Shorthouse, J. D. Wood, F. L. Symonds (str.), and G. Bussey (cox).

HOCKEY.

SERVICE SIDES FAIL.

HEAVY SCORING.

By "CIRCLE."

Outstanding among yesterday's hockey matches, in which Services sides figured prominently, was that between WIMBLEDON and the ROYAL AIR FORCE, at Wimbledon Park. The junior Service have begun their representative programme early in the season, for the Army are still in the throes of trial games—one was played at Aldershot yesterday—while the Royal Navy hold a trial at Chatham on Saturday. The Royal Air Force suffered defeat by 5—1, but showed better form than the score would suggest. The side have yet to get together. The Wimbledon forwards' superior understanding in front of goal was a decisive factor in their favour. F/O. S. C. Bufton (Sealand) opened the scoring for the Service, for whom F/O. B. A. Crumming (Worthy Down) at inside left, and Sergt. N. Foreman (North Weald) at full back, were prominent. Before half time Rice put Wimbledon on terms.

In the second half Wimbledon played with better cohesion between the forwards and half backs and scored four further goals through Goodbody, Holloway, Kirkpatrick and Rice. L.-A.-C. Newbold (Sealand) made many fine runs on the Service right wing, but he did not receive sufficient support from his inside men.

Although they led TULSE HILL by 2—0 at half-time, the ROYAL ENGINEERS (Chatham) were overrun in the second half and beaten by 4—2. Roberts hit both the goals for the Sappers, and Staole (2), Clayton, and Capes scored for Tulse Hill, who overcame the difficulties of a wet ground in clever fashion.

At Herne Hill, DULWICH failed to score against HAMPSTEAD, for whom Hyde, Maxon and Kerr found the net. The winners excelled in defence. Redman was in good form for STAFF COLLEGE, who defeated their visitors from HENDON by 5—0 after leading by 2—0 at half-time. Redman hit three goals, and Campion and Rogier one each.

SURBITON scored nine goals against STAINES, who failed to reply. Seven of the goals accrued in the second half, when the Staines defence cracked badly against a smart forward line. The goal scorers were Potter (2), Street (2), Tyrrell (2), Heighton (2), and Pendred.

Heavy scoring also took place in the match at High Beech, where OLD LOUGHTONIANS defeated BRONDESBURY by 7—1. Shelly hit four goals, W. Trunby two, and Lloyd one for the Old Boys, who led by 4—0 at half time, and Schofield replied for the visitors.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY failed to avenge their recent defeat by MID-SURREY, but in the return match contrived to effect a goalless draw. Neither side was at full strength, and on a wet ground the play was rather scrappy. The Cambridge attack, in the absence of Rocyn-Jones, Berry, and Hewan, was not so menacing as that of Mid-Surrey, but the defence did exceedingly well.

After winning four consecutive matches, OXFORD UNIVERSITY, at home, were beaten 3—2 by BECKENHAM. Lewis and Cork scored for Beckenham in the first half, during which Patterson, their goalkeeper, made some brilliant saves. Dashwood and Oswald subsequently netted for the Dark Blues, and Pope scored Beckenham's third goal. Earlier in the season Beckenham had been beaten by Cambridge.

Showing the better team work, SOUTHGATE beat OLD KINGSTONIANS by 4—2. Wonnacott, their centre-forward, scored three goals, and Petherham also netted for them. Sharpley and Davis replied for the Old Boys.

BANK OF ENGLAND won a good match with WESTMINSTER BANK by 3—2, after leading by 2—1 at half-time. Lee, Dixon, and Hamilton scored for the winners, and Pye netted twice for the losers.

Jones (2), Brannam (2), and Mortleman scored the goals for the H.A.C., who beat LONDON UNIVERSITY at Finsbury by 5—2, and the winners were the stronger at half-back.

At Portsmouth, UNITED SERVICES beat BROMLEY in a fast match by 3—0. Smallwood, with a brilliant shot, opened the scoring, and the other goals were hit by Plumer and Sinclair. Lawrence, Phillips, and Morris excelled in the Services' defence.

With Ogilvy and Edgley each scoring twice. SPENCER beat REIGATE PRIORY by 4—2. Morphew and Mott scored for the losers.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

COUNTY MATCH.

Lancashire	4	Northumberland	1

MEN'S MATCHES.

Hampstead	3	Dulwich	0
Surbiton	9	Staines	0
Rich. & Kings. Hill	1	Teddington	1
Old Loughtonians	7	Brondesbury	1
Old Felstedians	6	Purley	4
Purley Extra XI.	6	Swanley	4
St. Thomas's Hosp.	2	Barclays Bank	0
Blackheath	5	Woolwich Garrison	3
Croydon M.O.	4	Metrogas	3
Polytechnic	6	Crouch End	0
Polytechnic A	4	Gamages	0
L.M. and S.R.	4	Southern Railway	2
Wimbledon	5	Royal Air Force	1
Hounslow	2	Civil Service	1
London Hospital	5	East Surrey Regt.	2
Richings Park	1	Brentham	0
City of London M.H.	3	Callenders	1
O. Cranleighans II.	4	St. Bart's Hosp. II.	4
O. Cranleighans	3	St. Bart's Hosp.	2
Britannic House	0	Hornsey	7
Aldershot Command.	6	Eastern Command	1
U.S. (Portsmouth)	3	Bromley	0
Southgate	4	Old Kingstonians	2
Hawks	5	Guildford	2
Centymca	2	King's College	0
Kingston Gram. Sch.	9	Univ. Col. Hospital	0
Gravesend	2	Tonbridge	1
Spencer	4	Reigate	2
Broxbourne II.	5	West Herts II.	2
Birkbeck College II.	4	Imperial College II.	3
Surbiton A	5	Staines II.	2
Burnt Ash	7	H.A.C. II.	2
Maidenhead	6	Aldershot Command	2
Purley II.	7	Old Felstedians II.	2
Metropolitan Police	9	Wimbledon II.	1
Civil Service II.	3	Hounslow II.	2
Reigate II.	3	Spencer II.	0
Metro. Police II.	6	Wimbledon III.	1
Wallington	1	Merton	1
Wallington III.	5	Merton III.	5
Purley III.	6	Tulse Hill IV.	2
H.A.C.	5	London Univ.	3
Tulse Hill	4	Royal Engineers	2
N.P. Bank	10	Clare Coll., Cambdge.	1
Broxbourne	6	West Herts	2
Goodmayes	4	Wickford	0
Oxford Circus	9	A. E. C.	1
Woolwich Poly.	5	Rochester	0
Sevenoaks	7	Bromley II.	2
Creed's Athletic	12	Coulsdon	7
Lloyds Bank	5	Borough Poly.	0
Lever House	5	Univ. Coll. III.	0
London and Lancs.	5	Barclays Bank III.	1
Southampton	7	Brondesbury II.	1
Hawks II.	6	Dulwich II.	0
Bromley IV.	6	Sevenoaks II.	3
Spencer III.	2	Old Southendians II.	2
Swiss Bank	3	Goodmayes III.	2
Romford	1	Hornchurch	1
Polytechnic II.	6	Crouch End II.	0
Polytechnic IV.	4	Crouch End IV.	0
Bank of England	3	Westminster Bank	2
Harlow	5	Cheshunt	1
Staff Col. (Camb'ley)	5	Hendon	0
Royal Dental Hosp.	10	Middlesex Hospital	5
London Sch. of Econ.	3	High Wycombe	2
Sevenoaks	7	Bromley II.	2
Surbiton II.	6	N.P.L.	2
Beckenham II.	4	Epsom	0
Croydon M.O. II.	4	Metrogas II.	2
Croydon M.O. III.	7	Forest Gate Y.M.C.A.	1
Beckenham III.	8	Blackheath II.	0
Civil Service III.	7	Hounslow III.	0
L.M. and S.R. III.	3	Southern Rail III.	1
Polytechnic III.	8	Crouch End III.	0
Corinth	5	Croydon M.O. IV.	0
Beckenham IV.	7	Epsom III.	0
St. Thomas's H. II.	2	Cheam II.	2
Barnes II.	5	Virginians	3
Purley V.	4	Tulse Hill VI.	4
Hawks II.	6	Dulwich IV.	1
Hawks III.	6	Spencer IV.	2
N.P.L. II.	3	Surbiton III.	2
Civil Service IV.	5	O. Southendians III.	2
King's College II.	2	Spencer V.	3
Teddington V.	2	Reigate Priory III.	3
Windsor II.	5	Surbiton IV.	2
Broxbourne III.	4	Old Monovians II.	2
H.A.C. III.	5	Blackheath III.	2
Purley B.	4	Harrow III.	3
Mid-Surrey III.	6	N.P. Bank III.	4
Beckenham	3	Oxford University	2
R.A.F. (Henlow)	3	Barnet	1
Epsom II.	4	West Middlesex II.	2
Epsom IV.	7	Hampstead V.	0
Folkestone Optimists	7	Westgate	2
Chelmsford	9	Ilford	0
Hoffman	3	Chelmsford III.	1
Old Charlton	3	R.M.A. (Woolwich)	1
Royal Observatory	7	Goldsmiths' Coll.	1
Guildhall	1	Brentwood	0
Chelmsford II.	3	Ilford II.	0
Southgate III.	5	Old Kingstonians II.	2
H.A.C. IV.	4	Hornsey II.	1
Cheam	4	R.N.C. (Greenwich)	1
St. Thomas's H. II.	2	Cheam II.	2
Cheam III.	3	Maori	2
Southgate VI.	3	Lloyds Bank V.	0
King's College II.	5	Spencer V.	0
Ilford III.	3	P.L.A.	2
Tulse Hill V.	5	Purley IV.	2
Owls (Camberley)	2	Brondesbury II.	0
Nat. Phys. Lab.	5	Surbiton II.	4
Staines II.	2	Surbiton A	6
Windsor II.	2	Surbiton IV.	2
Surbiton III.	2	Staines II.	2
Barnet II.	3	Wembley II.	0
Lloyds Bank II.	2	Wayfarers	3
Dulwich III.	0	Hampstead III.	5
Std. Telephones	2	Siemen's (Woolwich)	0
Mid-Surrey	0	Cambridge Univ.	0
Romford II.	0	Hornchurch II.	0
Oxford C.C.	3	G.W. Railway	3

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M.C.C. DEFIED.

SMART RECOVERY BY GRIQUALAND WEST.

BALASKAS'S FINE EFFORT

KIMBERLEY, Saturday.

"Played in" by their two matches in Western Province, the M.C.C., captained to-day by J. C. White, began the third match of their South African tour at the De Beers Stadium, where they met Griqualand West, holders of the record for the highest innings in Currie Cup cricket. Three South African Test selectors were present—which makes the doings of the nineteen-year-old all-rounder, Balaskas, particularly interesting. A double century, several scores of round about a hundred, and a large bag of wickets do not often come the way of one so young. But that was Balaskas's record for the last Currie Cup season. It was he who was chiefly responsible for his side breaking Western Province's record of 601. He played a brilliant innings of 206, and also got a century in the record score of 603 against Western Province last February.

Chapman decided to stand down, together with Sandham, Tate, and Duckworth. J. C. White, who missed the first two matches through a sprained shoulder, lost the toss, and McKay, Griqualand's twenty-eight-year-old wicket-keeper captain, took Nicholson in with him to open the innings. Voce and Allom, who shared the bowling, were new to matting wickets, and their length at first was faulty. Nicholson batted in confident style, getting Allom twice through the slips to the boundary in one over. This caused White to substitute Goddard for Allom at 24, and at 30 Peebles relieved Voce. Nicholson, who has a good repertoire of scoring strokes, continued to find gaps in the field, and at 45 White put himself on for Goddard. Meanwhile, McKay, whose steady batting has extricated his side from many perilous positions, played with great caution, scoring only a single here and there.

With the second ball of his first over Allom obtained McKay's wicket. In trying to emulate Nicholson he snicked a rising ball and Farrimond, standing well back, made a safe catch. The first pair had put on 75 in ninety-five minutes. Allom soon met with another success, as at 92, Commaille, one of the dourest of batsmen, played a sharply rising ball on to his wicket. When Nicholson had scored 57 he tamely returned the ball to Peebles—the third wicket falling at 103. He had given a painstaking display for just over two hours, his best strokes being eight 4's. Just before the tea interval the M.C.C. met with another success—Hammond clean bowling Viljeon for 13.

GRIQUALAND WEST.—First Innings.

J. F. W. Nicholson, c and b Peebles ...	57
C. D. McKay, c Farrimond, b Allom ...	24
M. Commaille, b Allom	8
K. Viljoen, b Hammond	13
X. Balaskas, not out	82
D. Helfrich, not out	36
Extras	10
Total (4 wkts.)	230

M.C.C.—J. C. White, R. E. S Wyatt, M. J. Turnbull, M. J. C. Allom, I. A R. Peebles, Hendren, Hammond, Leyland, Voce, Goddard, and Farrimond.—Reuter Special Service.

RYDER'S TESTIMONIAL.

GRIMMETT TAKES FIVE WICKETS—BRADMAN SUBDUED.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

Skilful bowling by Grimmett, Bradman in a subdued mood, and the remarkable enthusiasm with which the crowd of over 44,000 greeted Woodfull were the features of to-day's play in the Ryder Testimonial match.

Bradman, during a stay of over two hours, hit only four 4's. Kippax took two hours to reach 50. His 70 occupied him over three and-a half hours, and included only two 4's. Score:—

REST OF AUSTRALIA.—First Innings: G. W. Harris, lbw, b Grimmett, 108; H. L. Hendry, c Fairfax, b Grimmett, 45; K. Rigg, b Wall, 29; J. Ryder, b Grimmett, 38; A. Allsopp, lbw, b Fairfax, 20; T. J. E. Andrews, lbw, b Grimmett, 17; J. L. Ellis, not out, 21; D. Blackie, run out, 5; W. C. Alexander, b A'Beckett, 0; A. A. Mailey, run out, 2; Ironmonger, c Oldfield, b Grimmett, 0; extras, 8; total, 293.

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings: W. H. Ponsford, lbw, b Alexander, 14; A. Jackson, c Ellis, b Alexander, 4; D. Bradman, b Mailey, 73; A. F. Kippax lbw, b Blackie, 70; S. McCabe, c Alexander, b Ironmonger, 27; W. M. Woodfull, not out, 53; A. Fairfax, c Alexander, b Ironmonger, 39; E. L. A'Beckett, not out, 10; extras, 8; total (for 6 wickets), 298. W. A. Oldfield, C. V. Grimmett, T. Wall to bat.

HOBBS SACRIFICES WICKET FOR MAHARAJ.

DELHI, Saturday.

Jack Hobbs was the hero of the crowd during the closing day's play between the Maharaj Kumar of Vizianagram's XI. and the Rest of India. Batting in his best style he scored 81, and the Maharaj, his partner, made 48. The Maharaj backed up too far, and on Hobbs making a stroke he would have been run out. The Surrey player did not call, but seeing that his partner would be run out, he sacrificed his wicket by making a gallant attempt at the run. His action was warmly cheered by the crowd. Hobbs's team won by 193 runs.—Reuter.

WOODFULL ON THE ENGLISH TOUR.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

"Englishmen are great sportsmen, and did not begrudge Australia's win," said Woodfull this evening at the dinner of welcome given by the Victorian Cricket Association.

Mr. Menzies, K.C., in proposing the health of the Australian Test team, said the success of the side in England was the one bright spot in the midst of the prevailing depression in Australia.

During the proceedings Woodfull was presented with a blue-and-white Wedgwood urn, made in Tasmania, and Grimmett was given a mounted ball in recognition of his feat in dismissing the entire Yorkshire side.—Reuter's Special Service.

THE TITCHMARSH MEMORIAL FUND.

There has been a good response to the appeal made by the Herts County C.C. for the family of the late C. H. Titchmarsh. The sum of £482 7s. 6d. has been received, and further donations should be forwarded to Barclays Bank, St. Albans, or to Mr. G. Rollo Walker, Redcroft, Nightingale Road, Bushey, Herts, before December 15, on which date the appeal will close.

RACKETS.

MARLBOROUGH BEAT CLIFTON.

Marlborough College (P. M. Nelson and D. L. S. Crimp) visited Clifton yesterday and defeated Clifton College (W. E. Carr and E. A. Gilson) in a rackets match by four games to one (15—5, 15—9, 5—15, 15—5, 15—2). In a match between second pairs Marlborough (W. K. Northcroft and A. Martin-Jenkins) beat Clifton (P. Barlow and R. C. Riseley) by three games to one (5—15, 15—7, 15—13, 15—9).

D. Middleton and G. S. May, an Old Wellingtonian pair, beat Wellington College (A. H. Reid and D. B. Lang) at Wellington by 4 games to 1 (15—8, 11—15, 15—10, 15—3, 18—13).

TENNIS.

Cambridge University beat Queen's Club on the Clare and Trinity Courts by six matches to four. Singles only were played. Details:—

E. H. Leaf (Queen's Club) beat R. E. Baerlein (Trinity) 6—4, 6—1; beat R. E. L. Beddington (Trinity) 6—3, 6—3. D. J. Wardley (Queen's Club) lost to Rev. F. W. Fulford (Jesus) 4—6, 3—6; lost to Baerlein 1—6, 2—6. Dr. H. G. Brodbridge (Queen's Club) beat Hon. R. Baring (Trinity) 6—4 6—2; lost to S. H. Bastow (King's) 4—6, 2—6. F. Hollins (Queen's Club) lost to K. C. Gandar-Dower (Trinity) 6—5, 5—6, 0—6; beat Bastow 6—3, 6—4. W. N. McClean (Queen's Club) lost to Beddington 6—1, 2—6, 4—6; lost to Rev. Fulford 2—6, 2—6.

FIVES.

The Jesters (P. A. Malt, H. K. Prout, C. J. Patterson, and W. E. C. Offer) beat Cambridge University (J. Armitage, D. E. Smith, G. M. Moll, and J. C. Brooks) in a Rugby Fives match by 167 points to 151 at West Kensington.

The Old Blues (K. W. Millage, C. R. Black, V. U Oldland and A. E. Alexander) beat University College Hospital (O. M. Mathews, K. G. A. Cock, W. L. Neustatter, and L. A. Dormon) at Gower Street by 101 points to 76.

AUSTRALIANS BEATEN.

The Midlands beat the Australian Ladies team at Northampton by 8 goals to 1. Miss Pollard (3), Mrs. Mears (3), and Miss Crompton (2) scored for the Midlands, and Mrs. McCrae for the Tourists.

WOMEN'S MATCHES.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH.

Midlands	8	Australians	1

(At Northampton.)

CLUB MATCHES.

Char. Bk. of India.	4	Anglo-S. Amer. Bk.	0
Britannic House ...	10	Old Christchurchians	0
Sevenoaks	5	Tonbridge	3
West Middlesex	2	Rouge et Noire	0
Catford II.	9	Putney Imps.	0
Cobam	8	Hawks	1
P.L.A. II.	5	Crostyx III.	1
Britannic House	10	O. Christchurchians	0
Brit. House II.	2	Stan. Telephones	2
Lensbury	15	Twick. C. Sho. O.G.	4

Association Football.

ARSENAL WIN VITAL GAME AT SHEFFIELD.

PORTSMOUTH'S SEVEN—VILLA'S BIG HOME DEFEAT.

EVERTON STRENGTHEN THEIR LEAD

The Arsenal struck one of the shrewdest blows of the season yesterday when, in a tense struggle at Sheffield, they defeated the Wednesday by the odd goal in three. It was a great day for visiting clubs.

Thus the London club threw off formidable challengers in the great race for League honours. It was their sixth victory of the season as visitors—a record only equalled by Everton in the Second Division—and the Wednesday's first home loss.

But the Arsenal were not the only visitors to earn distinction. Derby County won 6—4 at Acton, where the Villa, who lost their goalkeeper through injury, had not previously surrendered full points this term.

And, further to the honour of the South, gallant Portsmouth actually won 7—4 at Newcastle. Portsmouth have now to be regarded as challengers for the championship. They have been playing excellent football for weeks, and yesterday's was their fifth win away from home.

Some of the botton clubs in the Senior Division had a say in the day's arguments. Manchester United obtained another point, Leeds and Sunderland also returned home with a point apiece, and Grimsby well beat Blackburn Rovers.

By eclipsing Preston at Deepdale—another instance of an initial home defeat—West Bromwich Albion helped their prospects of keeping in the promotion class. Preston's lapse must have been particularly pleasing to Everton, especially as the latter got full points at Millwall.

Another notable victory by a visiting team was Port Vale's 2—1 at Burnley.

In the Southern Section Notts County have still to be checked. They won with a lot in hand at Torquay, and as Northampton lost a point at home to lowly Clapton Orient, Notts' success widens the already formidable gap which separates them from their challengers.

FIRST DIVISION.

Although Bastin missed a penalty, the Arsenal had most of the luck that was going at Sheffield. It was a hard game, and the Wednesday deserved one of the points at stake. Adapting themselves more readily to the heavy going, they were the better side in the opening stages, and when Ball scored at the end of fourteen minutes they deserved the lead.

The Arsenal's equalising goal was against the run of play, but it was a good one. The strategy of James and the opportunism of Lambert brought it about. The inside-left gave the centre-forward a perfect pass, and Lambert, operating at close range, made no mistake with his shot. The game was looking very much like a draw when Lambert's goal won the game in the last four minutes.

In flashes both Manchester City and Chelsea played good football at Stamford Bridge. But Chelsea were always the more impressive, and goals by Gallacher and Cheyne were deserved. Barrass hit the crossbar from long range. This was Chelsea's narrowest escape, although Tait, in the first half, missed an open goal. For half the match Cheyne limped about at outside-right. Jackson is beginning to show his true form. He dribbled and passed splendidly. Barber made some wonderful saves in the visitors' goal.

Hibbs, Birmingham's, and England's, goalkeeper, gave another splendid display of his art at Middlesbrough—and the point Birmingham earned was due to his work.

It seems quite safe to assume that Derby County would not have won at Villa Park if Biddlestone, the Aston Villa goalkeeper, had not got into the wars. He was hurt two minutes after the start, but insisted on remaining at his post until a shot from Crooks beat him. He then retired, and while Walker, the Villa inside-left and captain, was deputising in goal, McIntyre scored Derby's second. Biddlestone returned, but was hurt again within eighteen minutes, was carried off, and Walker kept goal for the rest of the match.

Middleton, Sunderland's new goalkeeper from Cowdenbeath, gave a great display at Bolton, where the spoils were divided.

Though Norris—who has played in every position but goal in the West Ham team—scored in the fourteenth minute, he was not a success as Watson's deputy at centre-forward.

The forwards of Manchester United and Blackpool spent most of the ninety minutes at Old Trafford giving examples of how not to shoot. Neither side scored—and neither side deserved a goal.

Leicester City were unlucky at Liverpool. Two of Liverpool's goals were gifts. Their first was put through by Beeby, the Leicester goalkeeper, who failed to gather a shot by Smith. Black, the Leicester right back, kicked through his own goal to give them their third.

Blackburn Rovers lost at Grimsby despite the splendid goalkeeping of Binns. This young man earns laurels so often that the prophets are pointing to him as an England goalkeeper of the future.

SECOND DIVISION.

Football seldom reached a very high level at New Cross. Millwall, who were the first to score, were not impressive in front of goal.

Poor forward play was one of the chief causes of Preston North End's first home defeat. Their attack was not in the same class as the forwards of West Bromwich Albion.

Bury held their own in the first half at Oldham, but the Athletic were the masters after the interval.

Southampton, who had lost their last two matches, were too smart for Bradford City at the Dell. The home forwards were superior as craftsmen—both in midfield and in front of goal. Their second goal was a capital example of the utility of the cool head. Fraser scored it while standing with his back to the goal.

Elliott scored for Bristol City in the first quarter of an hour at Park Avenue, but they did not hold the lead for long. McLean put Bradford level five minutes later, and the same player added a second when the game was half an hour old. Bradford overran the visitors after the interval.

If Reading's forwards had shot better they would have beaten Charlton Athletic by a much larger margin than 2—0. Charlton were so completely outclassed that the Reading goalkeeper had only one shot to deal with in the first half. Yet the score sheet was blank at the interval. Bacon scored both goals for Reading.

Tottenham Hotspur lost one point—and very nearly two—at home. R. Williams scored for Swansea in the second half, and the goal was not equalised until the last four minutes, when Lyons scored from the penalty spot.

Weak shooting lost Burnley their home game with Port Vale.

Dent returned to Nottingham Forest's ranks against Plymouth Argyle at Nottingham, and within seventeen minutes of the start he had scored a goal. This goal was neutralised by Black in the second half, and earned an unexpected point for Plymouth.

There was a lot of dull, uninspiring football at Stoke, where the City defeated Cardiff City. The ground was slippery, and neither set of men were at all surefooted.

THIRD DIVISION.

A penalty-kick, taken by Loasby and saved by Cope, the Swindon goalkeeper, was the turning point in the match at Gillingham. Swindon took heart, and Munnings, after a great run, scored the only goal of the game.

Bowen, the Northampton centre-forward, also missed a penalty awarded against Clapton Orient. Bowen shot wide. The Orient forced a goalless draw by desperate defence.

At Brentford, Blakemore shot four goals of his side's six. Thames were never in the hunt, their forwards being easily held.

Injuries greatly handicapped Torquay. Two of their halves were knocked out early on, Butler, the centre, having to go outside right. Keetley obtained three of Notts four goals.

RESULTS AND LEAGUE POSITIONS.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

Aston Villa	4	Derby Co.	6
Bolton Wand.	2	Sunderland	2
Chelsea	2	Manchester C.	0
Grimsby T.	2	Blackburn R.	0
Huddersfield T.	1	Sheffield Utd.	1
Liverpool	3	Leicester	1
Manchester Utd.	0	Blackpool	0
Middlesbro'	1	Birmingham	1
Newcastle Utd.	4	Portsmouth	7
Sheffield Wed.	1	Arsenal	2
West Ham Utd.	1	Leeds Utd.	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Arsenal	15	10	4	1	42	22	24
Derby County	15	8	5	2	38	24	21
Portsmouth	15	8	5	2	37	25	21
Sheffield Wed.	15	8	5	2	31	20	21
Aston Villa	15	8	3	4	42	31	19
Huddersfield Town	15	6	6	3	35	26	18
West Ham Un.	15	7	4	4	38	31	18
Leicester City	15	8	2	5	37	35	18
Liverpool	14	7	2	5	33	30	16
Sheffield United	15	4	7	4	26	24	15
Chelsea	15	6	3	6	23	21	15
Middlesbro'	15	5	4	6	25	33	14
Birmingham	15	3	7	5	24	25	13
Newcastle Un.	15	5	3	7	32	36	13
Manchester City	15	5	3	7	24	30	13
Blackpool	15	4	4	7	27	40	12
Grimsby Town	15	5	1	9	27	25	11
Blackburn Rovers	15	4	3	8	29	31	11
Bolton Wands.	14	4	3	7	20	29	11
Sunderland	15	3	5	7	27	40	11
Leeds United	15	4	2	9	31	36	10
Manchester Un.	15	1	1	13	20	54	3

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION III. (Southern).

Brentford	6	Thames	1
Brighton and H.A.	1	Watford	0
Bristol Rovers	1	Coventry C.	0
C. Palace	2	Norwich C.	1
Exeter City	4	Bournemouth & B.A.	1
Gillingham	0	Swindon Town	1
Luton Town	0	Walsall	0
Newport Co.	1	Fulham	3
Northampton	0	C. Orient	0
Southend Utd.	2	Q. Pk. Rangers	0
Torquay Utd.	1	Notts Co.	4

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Notts County	16	12	4	0	47	16	28
Northampton Tn.	15	9	4	2	23	8	22
Brentford	16	8	4	4	37	26	20
Crystal Palace	15	8	3	4	46	31	19
Fulham	15	8	3	4	28	28	19
Torquay Utd.	16	8	2	6	40	33	18
Southend Utd.	15	8	2	5	33	24	18
Brighton & H.A.	16	6	6	4	22	21	18
Exeter City	16	6	5	5	30	31	17
B'rnem'th & B.A.	15	6	4	5	29	29	16
Swindon Town	16	7	2	7	32	32	16
Luton Town	16	5	5	6	23	28	15
Gillingham	15	5	4	6	27	21	14
Watford	15	6	2	7	26	26	14
Bristol Rovers	16	5	4	7	25	39	14
Coventry City	15	5	3	7	27	25	13
Clapton Orient	15	4	4	7	24	29	12
Queen's Pk. R.	15	5	1	9	27	30	11
Norwich City	15	3	4	8	18	30	10
Walsall	15	3	2	10	28	43	8
Newport County	15	3	2	10	27	45	8
Thames	15	3	2	10	17	41	8

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Aberdeen	7	Hibernian	0
Airdrieonians	2	Dundee	0
Clyde	0	Falkirk	1
Cowdenbeath	1	Celtic	1
Hearts	5	Motherwell	1
Kilmarnock	5	East Fife	1
Leith Athletic	1	Ayr United	1
G. Morton	1	Hamilton Acads.	0
Partick T.	2	St. Mirren	1
Queen's Park	0	G. Rangers	2

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Partick Thistle	15	11	1	3	41	18	23
Celtic	14	9	4	1	41	17	22
Rangers	14	9	3	2	30	13	21
Motherwell	15	8	5	2	39	23	21
Dundee	15	10	1	4	34	23	21
Cowdenbeath	15	9	2	4	22	18	20
Hearts	15	8	2	5	35	25	18
Hamilton Acads.	16	7	3	6	24	18	17
Greenock Morton	14	8	1	5	33	28	17
St. Mirren	14	6	3	5	20	18	15
Aberdeen	16	7	1	8	27	25	15
Airdrieonians	15	6	2	7	22	32	14
Clyde	15	5	3	7	25	26	13
Kilmarnock	15	6	1	8	24	25	13
Falkirk	15	5	1	9	26	36	11
Queen's Park	14	3	3	8	21	31	9
Leith Athletic	15	2	5	8	17	28	9
Hibernians	15	3	2	10	20	40	8
Ayr United	14	1	4	9	17	38	6
East Fife	15	1	1	13	17	53	3

LONDON COMBINATION.

DIVISION I.

Arsenal Res.	6	Brentford Res.	2
Charlton A. Res.	0	Brighton & H.A. Res.	4
Cardiff C. Res.	0	Millwall Res.	4
Portsmouth Res.	3	Chelsea Res.	5
Clapton O. Res.	0	C. Palace Res.	1
Coventry C. Res.	2	West Ham U. Res.	1
Fulham Res.	2	Tottenham H. Res.	1
Leicester C. Res.	3	Southampton Res.	3
Q. Pk. Rangers Res.	2	Luton Town Res.	0
Watford Res.	2	Reading Res.	2
Swansea T. Res.	3	Southend Utd. Res.	1

DIVISION II.

Bristol C. Res.	2	Northampton Res.	1
*Swindon Town Res.	1	Yeovil and P. Utd.	3

* Abandoned ten minutes before time.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION II.

Bradford	5	Bristol City	2
Burnley	1	Port Vale	2
Millwall	1	Everton	3
Notts Forest	1	Plymouth Argyle	1
Oldham Athletic	3	Bury	2
Preston N.E.	2	W. Brom. A.	3
Reading	2	Charlton Athletic	0
Southampton	4	Bradford City	1
Stoke City	1	Cardiff City	0
Tottenham H.	1	Swansea	1
Wolverhampton Wan.	2	Barnsley	0

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Everton	15	11	3	1	43	17	25
W. Brom. Albion	15	9	3	3	31	18	21
Preston N.E.	15	9	3	3	40	25	21
Burnley	15	8	4	3	38	30	20
Tottenham H'spur	15	8	2	5	40	22	18
Port Vale	15	8	2	5	35	24	18
Wolverhampton	15	9	0	6	36	25	18
Bury	15	8	1	6	34	29	17
Stoke City	15	7	3	5	25	23	17
Southampton	15	6	5	4	19	18	17
Bradford	15	6	3	6	39	33	15
Oldham Ath.	15	7	1	7	24	26	15
Bristol City	15	6	2	7	20	31	14
Notts Forest	15	4	5	4	32	33	13
Swansea Town	15	4	5	6	20	28	13
Bradford City	15	5	2	8	17	29	12
Cardiff City	16	4	3	9	24	30	11
Millwall	15	5	0	10	28	35	10
Barnsley	14	3	4	7	12	23	10
Charlton Ath.	15	4	2	9	21	37	10
Plymouth Arg.	15	3	2	10	19	31	8
Reading	15	3	1	11	14	44	7

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION III. (Northern.)

Accrington Stanley	2	Gateshead	1
Barrow	4	New Brighton	1
Carlisle Utd.	6	Wigan Boro'	1
Chesterfield	7	Halifax Town	0
Crewe Alex.	3	Hull City	4
Rochdale	3	Doncaster R.	5
Rotherham Utd.	0	Darlington	2
Southport	2	Stockport Co.	0
Tranmere Rovers	5	Hartlepools Utd.	4
Wrexham	2	Lincoln City	2
York City	3	Nelson	0

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Lincoln City	15	11	2	2	34	14	24
Tranmere R.	15	10	2	3	47	29	22
Chesterfield	15	9	3	3	33	19	21
Hull City	15	9	3	3	34	21	21
Wrexham	15	8	4	3	38	19	20
Stockport Co.	15	9	2	4	30	22	20
Wigan Boro'	14	9	1	4	28	22	19
Carlisle Un.	15	9	0	6	35	21	18
Rotherham Un.	15	6	3	6	34	31	15
York City	15	7	1	7	30	29	15
Gateshead	15	5	5	5	21	22	15
Southport	15	6	2	7	25	25	14
Accrington Stanley	16	6	2	8	32	49	14
Darlington	15	5	3	7	27	24	13
Halifax Town	15	5	3	7	19	30	13
Rochdale	15	5	2	8	35	44	12
Crewe Alex.	15	6	0	9	27	39	12
Doncaster Rovers	15	4	3	8	26	27	11
Hartlepools Un.	14	4	1	9	24	30	9
Barrow	16	3	3	10	17	39	9
New Brighton	15	2	3	10	12	34	7
Nelson	15	2	2	11	20	38	6

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Birmingham Res.	0	Burnley Res.	0
Blackburn R. Res.	8	Stoke C Res.	2
Blackpool Res.	0	Oldham A. Res.	2
Bury Res.	4	Sheffield W. Res.	0
Derby Co. Res.	2	Huddersfield T. Res.	0
Everton Res.	4	Wolverhampton Res.	5
Leeds U. Res.	7	Manchester U. Res.	1
Manchester C. Res.	1	Aston Villa Res.	4
Sheffield U. Res.	4	Bolton Wand. Res.	2
Stockport Co. Res.	5	Preston N.E. Res.	0
W. Brom. A. Res.	1	Liverpool Res.	1

MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Barnsley Res.	4	Chesterfield Res.	1
Denaby Utd.	2	Grantham	1
Doncaster R. Res.	0	Rotherham U. Res.	0
Hull City Res.	2	Grimsby Town Res.	4
Lincoln C. Res.	1	Notts Forest Res.	1
Loughboro' Cor.	1	Shirebrook	2
Bradford Res.	5	Frickley C.	1
Mexboro'	4	Notts Co. Res.	1

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

WESTERN SECTION.

Barry Town	2	Bath City	1
Plymouth A. Res.	1	Bristol R. Res.	2

F.A. CUP.—Fourth Qualifying Round.

Caledonians	2	Dulwich Hamlet	4
Nunhead	0	Wimbledon	2
Kingstonian	2	Barnet	1
Hampstead	2	Guildford	3
Leyton	0	Aldershot	2
Workington	2	Manchester Cen.	2
Rhyl Athletic	3	Prescot Cables	2
Lancaster Tn.	3	Horwick R.M.I.	1
Scarborough	1	West Stanley	1
Whitby	2	Wombwell	3
Scunthorpe Un.	3	Worcester City	0
Mansfield Tn.	10	Highgate	1
Wellington Tn.	2	Buxton	1
Boston Tn.	0	Newark Tn.	0
Gainsborough T.	3	Hereford Utd.	0
Gresley Rovers	4	King's Lynn	1
Peterborough & F.U.	2	Kettering Tn.	0
Walthamstow A.	15	Aldershot T. C.	0
Sheppey Utd.	0	Folkestone	3
Northfleet Utd.	1	Dartford	0
T.W. Rangers	3	Margate Town	2
Sittingbourne	8	Southwick	0
Swindon Vic.	1	Merthyr Town	6
Taunton Town	5	Newport (I. of W.)	1

Amateur Football.

WIMBLEDON DO WELL.

HOW CLUBS FARED IN F.A. CUP

A number of the leading Southern amateur clubs figured in the Fourth Qualifying Round of the F.A. Cup. Wimbledon, the Isthmian League leaders, showed their best form when beating NUNHEAD at Nunhead for the first time since 1925. Although playing at home, KINGSTONIAN were fortunate to survive at BARNET'S expense. The good goal-keeping of Brodrick saved his side. DULWICH HAMLET deserved their win on the ground of the LONDON CALEDONIANS. The defence of the home club was unsteady, Eric Gates, engaged in the amateur international, being badly missed.

CORINTHIANS SCORE SEVEN

YORKSHIRE AMATEURS OUTPLAYED.

Yorkshire Amateurs 1, Corinthians 7.

The Corinthians, whose side included six internationals, defeated the Yorkshire Amateurs at Bracken Edge, Leeds, by 7 goals to 1.

Play never reached a high standard, but there was plenty of good open football, with the Corinthians' attack the more virile force. Hegan and Doggart were a dangerous wing, and they repeatedly gained the better of the exchanges. Both the Corinthians' goals in the first half came from movements originating on the left flank, Hegan's centres being converted by Robbins and Kingsley.

Hobson, at right-half, often initiated attacks for the Amateurs, but his good work was frittered away by the lack of penetrative power on the part of Pearse, at centre, and Joyce, at inside-right. Just on the interval Pearse made amends when he snapped up an opportunity and gave Howard Baker no chance with a first-time shot.

In the second half the Corinthians held the upper hand, and Doggart netted three times and Hegan twice.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY BEATEN.

Oxford City 6, Oxford University 4.

There was only a small attendance to witness the trial of strength between Oxford University and the City team. Play was very even, and the Students were extremely fortunate to be in the lead at half-time. Venner, the iCty back, put through his own goal midway through the first half, and Jones gave his side a lead of two goals. The Varsity were well served by Rickett in goal and Bennett at outside-left.

With a reconstructed forward line, Oxford City swept all before them in the second half, and goals were scored by Holton (3), Richardson, and Guilfoyle. Jones replied for the University. The second half was monopolised by the City. Haslewood scored a fourth goal for the University just before the finish.

F.A. AMATEUR CUP.

Aylesbury Utd.	4	Northamp. Nomads.	3
Epsom Town	5	Mitcham Wand.	1
Great Yarmouth	3	Ipswich Town	2
Maidenhead Utd.	2	Marlow	0

ATHENIAN LEAGUE.

Bromley	1	Wealdstone	1
Uxbridge Tn.	4	Cheshunt	1
Sutton United	1	Southall	2

CIVIL SERVICE LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

War Office	5	Taxes	1
Board of Education	11	Air Ministry	0
London Tel. Service	2	Office of Works	0

ESSEX SENIOR CUP.

Romford	5	Brentwood & Warley	1
Leytonstone	4	Fourth Div. Signals (Colchester)	2

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE.

Woking	0	Casuals	1
Wycombe Wanderers	2	St. Albans City	4

KENT LEAGUE.

Dover United	6	Grays Thurrock	5
Ashford	10	R.N. Depot	1
Canterbury Waverley	1	Gillingham	5
Bexley Heath	3	Chatham	2
Folkestone	5	R. Marines	3

KENT SENIOR CUP.

Sittingbourne P.M.	0	Maidstone	6
Beckenham	7	Foots Cray	1
U.G.B.M.	3	Bexley	1

LONDON SENIOR CUP.

Enfield	5	Barking Town	2
Old Lyonians	3	Polytechnic	2
Wallington	1	Hounslow	6
Clapton	3	Dagenham Town	1
Hayes	2	Callender Ath.	0
Finchley	2	Lyons Club	3
Tooting Town	0	Haywards S. (Enfield)	3

LONDON LEAGUE.

PREMIER DIVISION.

Chelmsford	4	Erith and Belvedere	0
Whyteleafe Albion	2	Cray Wanderers	3

DIVISION II.

Erith and Belvedere	2	Chelmsford	2
Park Royal	6	Finchley	3
Leavesden Men. Hos.	3	Romford	0
(Abandoned nine minutes from time.)			
Brentwood Men. Hos.	4	Standard Telephones	1
Mitcham Wand.	0	Epsom Town	1
Woolwich Polytechnic	1	Hendon Town	1

PUBLIC SCHOOLS MATCHES.

Repton School	2	Malvern College	4
Bradfield College	4	New College, Oxford	2
Shrewsbury School	1	Liverpool Ramblers	2
Highgate School	1	Old Aldenhamians	3
Wellingborough Sch.	1	Old Wellingburians	5
St. Edmund's School, Canterbury	4	Casuals A	9
Brentwood School	4	Old Mercers A	1
Dean Close School	1	Handsworth O. Boys	6
Ardingly College	1	Old Hurst Johnians	4
Kimbolton School	4	Jesus Coll., Camb.	4
Sir W. St. John's Sc.	4	Sloane School	4
Forest School	8	Victoria Coll., Jersey	5
Lancing College	2	Aldenham School	3

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE.

Old Parkonians	9	Britannic House	1
Westminster Bank	3	Carshalton	3
Toc H.	9	East Grinstead	2
Highgate	1	Crouch End Vamps.	1
Merton Res.	2	Lloyds Bank Res.	1
Bank of England	2	Cambridge Town	0
Norseman	4	Winchmore Hill	1
Hast. & St. Leonards	2	Midland Bank	7
Lensbury	5	Alexandra Park	0
Aquarius	2	Barclays Bank	7
Lloyds Bank	1	Civil Service	5
Alleyn Old Boys	2	N.P. Bank	4
Barclays Bank Res.	2	Aquarius Res.	2
Ibis	4	Cuaco	5

SPARTAN LEAGUE.

PREMIER DIVISION.

Chesham Utd.	8	Great Eastern	1
Crittall Ath.	4	Colchester Town	0
Metropolitan Police	3	Slough	1
Wood Green Town	5	Egham	0
(Abandoned ten minutes from time.)			

DIVISION I

Apsley	7	Leighton Utd.	1
Cowley	2	Windsor and Eton	8
Eastbourne Comrades	0	Hitchin Town	5
Hertford Town	3	Staines Town	1
Watford Spartan	0	Letchworth Town	5
Berkhamsted Town	1	Waterlows, D'nstable	1

DIVISION II.—EASTERN SECTION.

Lea Bridge Gas	5	Ware	0

DIVISION II.—WESTERN SECTION.

Chesham Utd. Res.	7	G.W.R.	1
Egham Res.	2	Hazell's, Aylesbury	2
R.A.F., Uxbridge	3	Berkhamsted T. Res.	3
Slough Res.	2	Hounslow Res.	7
R.A.F., Halton	0	Maidenhead U. Res.	3
Willesden Poly.	1	Aylesbury Utd. Res.	1

CLUB MATCHES.

London University	3	Bristol University	0
Oxford University	4	Oxford City	6
Corinthians	7	Yorkshire Amat.	1
Redhill	4	Ilford	3
Stan. Bk. of S.A.	1	Midland Bank Res.	3
Crouch E. Vamp. Res.	4	Coutts' Bank	4
Westminst'r Bk. Res.	5	Lancing Old Boys	1
Kew Assn.	1	Merton	1
Exiles	4	Old Foresters	3
Exiles Res.	6	Barbarians	0
Britannic House A.	0	Catford Wand. A.	5
Old Collegians	1	Old Quintinians	0
R.M.A., Woolwich	0	R.A.F. Col., Cranwell	5
H.A.C.	5	Old Bradfieldians	8
Army Crusaders	3	Old Westminsters	4
Old Foresters A	1	Old Westminsters A	7

GOAL SCORERS.

DIVISION I.—Aston Villa (Houghton 2, Talbot, Waring); Derby County (Crooks 2, McIntyre, Bowers, Stephenson, Randall); Bolton Wanderers (Gibson, Cook); Sunderland (Gurney, Connor); Chelsea (Gallacher, Cheyne); Grimsby Town (Marshall, Bestall); Huddersfield Town (Lewis); Sheffield United (Tunstall); Liverpool (Smith 2, Black own goal); Leicester City (Lochhead); Middlesbrough (Pease); Birmingham (Curtis); Newcastle United (Lindsay 2, Devine, Wilkinson); Portsmouth (Easson 2, Weddle 2, J. Smith 2, Cook); Sheffield Wednesday (Ball); Arsenal (Lambert 2); West Ham United (Norris); Leeds United (Wainscoat).

DIVISION II.—Bradford (McLean 3, Rhodes, Davis), Bristol City (Elliott, Townrow); Burnley (Mantle); Port Vale (Fishwick 2); Millwall (Forsyth), Everton (Dunn, Stein Wilkinson); Nottingham Forest (Dent), Plymouth Argyle (Black); Oldham Athletic (Hasson 2, Worrall); Bury (Hope, Amos); Preston North End (Nisbet, Bargh); West Bromwich Albion (Wood, Cookson, Sandford); Reading (Bacon 2); Southampton (Arnold 2, Fraser 2); Bradford City (Partridge); Stoke City (Liddle), Tottenham Hotspur (Lyons), Swansea Town (Williams); Wolverhampton Wanderers (Deacon, Hartill).

YESTERDAY'S ATTENDANCES.

The following are the attendance figures for the chief games in the four divisions of the League:—

Sheffield Wednesday v. Arsenal	40,000
Aston Villa v. Derby County	30,000
Chelsea v. Manchester City	25,000
Millwall v. Everton	22,000
Tottenham Hotspur v. Swansea	20,000
Liverpool v. Leicester City	20,000
West Ham v. Leeds United	20,000
Newcastle United v. Portsmouth	18,000
Manchester United v. Blackpool	18,000
Preston N.E. v. West Bromwich A.	15,000
Oldham Athletic v. Bury	14,000
Crystal Palace v. Norwich	10,000
Wrexham v. Lincoln City	8,000

AN IRISH VICTORY

ENGLISH AMATEURS BEATEN AT BELFAST.

HAT TRICK BY MILLER.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Ireland 3, England 1.

BELFAST, Saturday.

On the Cliftonville ground at Belfast the English Amateurs failed to play up to expectations, and were defeated by 3 goals to 1.

Difficulties in the matter of selecting a representative team to represent Ireland in to-day's Amateur International with England did not enhance the Irishmen's prospects of success at Belfast to-day. Robbed of the services of players coming under the jurisdiction of the F.A. of the Irish Free State, the side to take the field was not a strong one. The last occasion on which Ireland won was in 1912. The weather was fine, but very cold, still a good company assembled.

The Englishmen were the first to attack, and Skelton did well to clear from a shot sent in by Warner. The pitch was on the heavy side, but play opened fast. With the wind behind them, Ireland settled down, and some exciting play followed a shot sent in by Doherty. Tewkesbury fumbled in clearing, and after a scrimmage in front of goal McMahon shot wide.

Miller had the misfortune to hit the goalpost with Tewkesbury beaten, while at the other end Gardiner brought off a clever clearance from Gibbins, who sent in a low, fast shot. Ireland soon returned to the attack, and forced a couple of fruitless corner-kicks, while Tewkesbury distinguished himself by saving from Miller.

Whewell set England attacking and Murray placed a free kick into goal, but Gardiner saved. Gates fouled Bermingham, and though Anderson got the free kick away McMahon sent in a shot which caused the Englishmen some anxiety. Ireland did most of the attacking, but met with little luck. For thirty minutes the English defence was kept busy.

Tewkesbury saved magnificently from Horlacker, and directly afterwards did well to clear from Doherty and McCaw. Success at length came to Ireland, as following some good play on the right wing, Miller sent in a shot which beat the defence. Ireland thus took the lead after 35 minutes' play, and well deserved it on the run of the game.

England played up strongly after this reverse, but the Irish defence was sound, and half-time found Ireland holding on to their lead of one goal to love.

Ireland's Decisive Lead.

On resuming, the Irish Amateurs again set the pace, and the English defence was severely taxed in the opening minutes. Warnes at length got possession, and after tricking several players he got to close quarters and tested Gardiner.

Play had been in progress ten minutes from change of ends when further successes came the way of Ireland. McCaw forced a corner kick, and Jones, fastening on the ball, passed on to Miller, who beat Tewkesbury. Thus encouraged, Ireland continued to have the best of the game, and two minutes later a pass from McCaw enabled Miller to get another shot home to complete the hat-trick.

In the last twenty minutes the game became rather scrappy, with Ireland still superior. In an attack on the Irish goal, Gibbins headed into the net from a pass from Peploe. Gardiner was injured in stopping a shot from Warnes, but quickly resumed. It looked as if Ireland would score again in the last minute, but Gregory bundled McCaw off the ball as he was about to shoot. The game thus resulted: Ireland 3 goals, England 1 goal.

IRELAND.—A. Gardiner (Cliftonville); R. Skelton (Cliftonville), R. P. Fulton (Belfast Celtic); J. Jones (Linfield), J. McMahon (Bohemians), A. Morton (Bohemians); J. Bermingham (Bohemians), F. Horlacher (Bohemians), J. Miller (Cliftonville), J. Doherty (Ards), and M. McCaw (Cliftonville).

ENGLAND.—K. C. Tewkesbury (Birmingham University); F. J. Gregory (Wimbledon), E. H. Gates (London Caledonians); C. Murray (Dulwich Hamlet), W. T. Whewell (Corinthians), P. Anderson (Crittal Athletic); W. H. Warnes (Woking), J. C. Burns (Queen's Park Rangers), W. V. T. Gibbins (West Ham United), R. Beswarwick (Enfield), and G. Peploe (Ilford).

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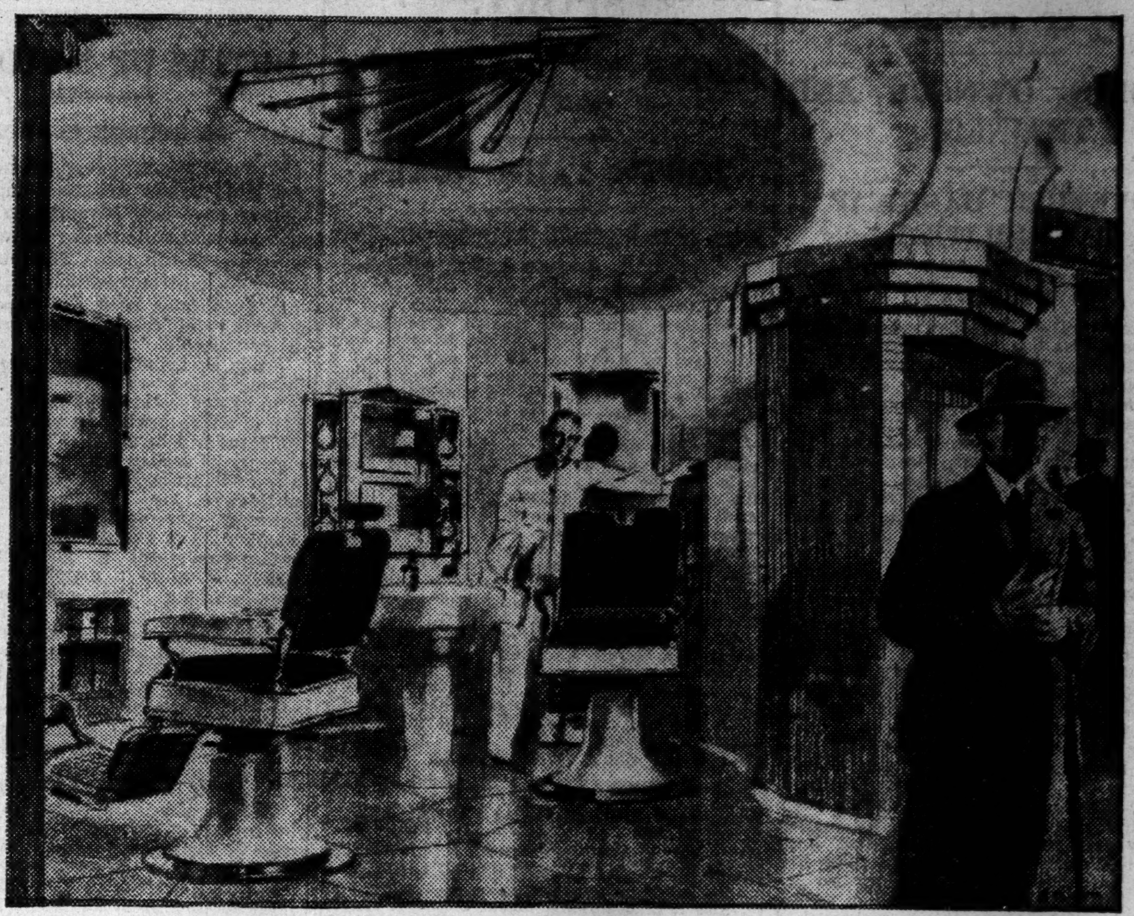

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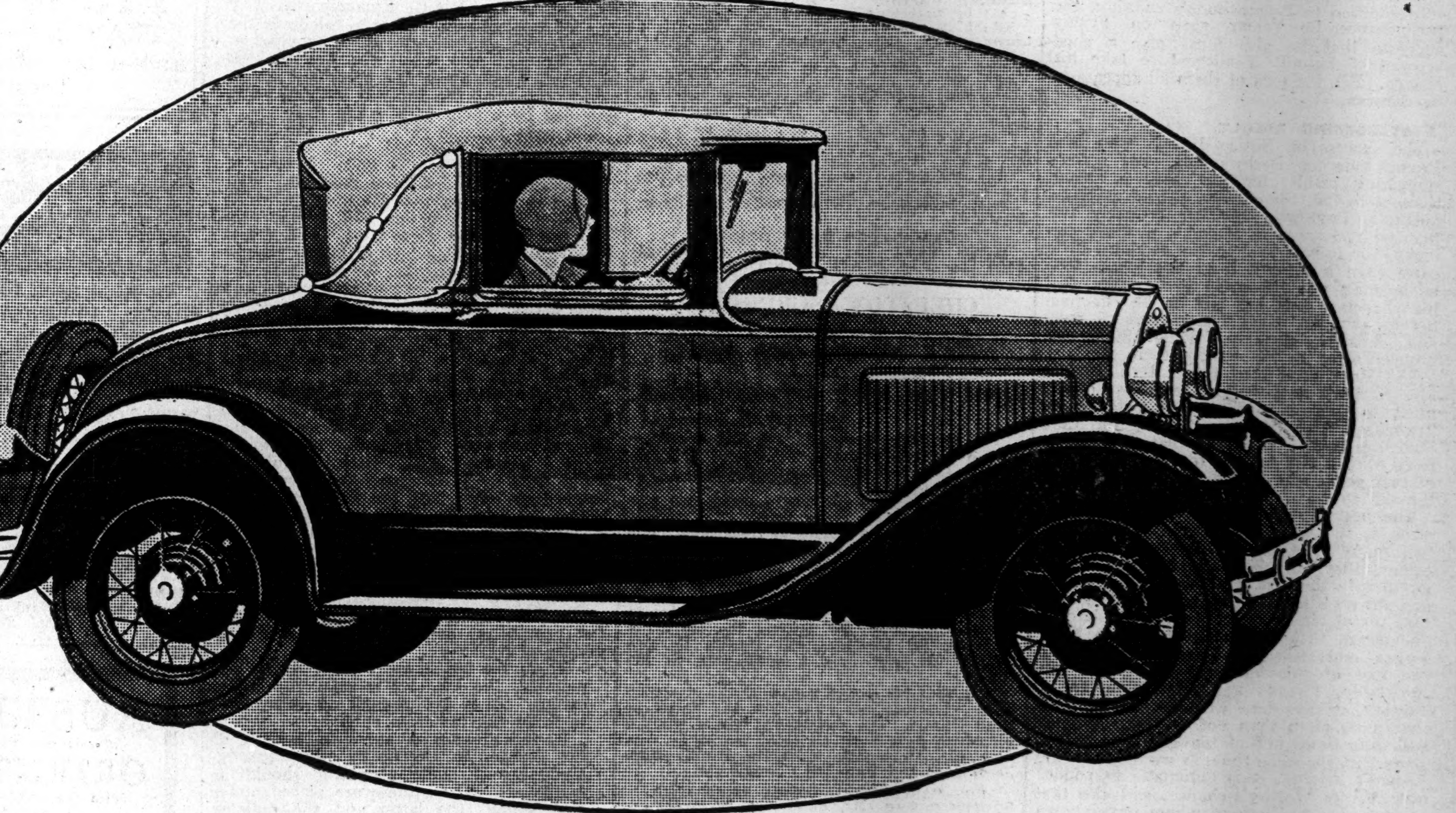

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RACING NOTES.

END OF AN EVENTFUL FLAT SEASON.

LEADING OWNERS AND TRAINERS.

NOVEMBER HANDICAP POSSIBILITIES.

By "FAIRWAY."

This week will end the flat race season of 1930, a year that has created Turf history of a character that the sport would have been better without. I am, of course, alluding to alleged doping. Happily, the subject seems as dead as the habit, and more interesting is the Tote, which really made its mark this year with results that are considered most satisfactory, since it is said when the figures are made known the scheme will, in its young life, be shown to be profitable, slight perhaps, but on the right side. This is, of course, satisfactory, for the big meetings have yet to be fitted up, and when they are the three millions total of this year will be doubled.

F. Fox seems certain to keep ahead of Gordon Richards and retire for the winter the leading jockey, while the three that head the list of winning owners include H.H. the Aga Khan, who has been justly rewarded for his years of lavish expenditure. Lord Glanely and Lord Derby are also well up the list, having gathered the plums. French breeders have been particularly fortunate, and are only headed by Lord Derby, while of the trainers, Atte Persse has, by the aid of many nice two-year-olds, including Portlaw and Doctor Dolittle, headed their list, beating the Whatcombe trainer, R. C. Dawson, who had his best season twelve months ago, but who can claim to have had a wonderful year. Frank Butters has had another good year, and it is most unfortunate that he is to hand over the reins at Stanley House after his great work in a few years.

SMALL MAN'S ILL-LUCK.

The Middleham stable, controlled by M. D. Peacock, has also enjoyed a wonderful season. The total is about seventy, chiefly small races. Fred Darling's luck has been somewhat streaky, the extraordinary good week at Goodwood helping to atone for the disappointing periods, which include this back-end. Lawson has many successes to his credit, without having much luck with the chief events. It is the small breeder that has had the leanest time of all, and it is to be hoped there will be a change next year.

The Manchester November Handicap, which is supported by many other bright features, stands out in this final week. The most notable of those that have been withdrawn is the French filly, Tea Party II., who exposed the limitations of her stamina early last week at Leicester. All others, from the moment the race began to be discussed, have stood their ground, and if we accept as an inspiration the confidence of some of the trainers, it is very difficult to oppose Saracen, a colt that won the race two years ago. A glance back at his poor show in the race last year does not suggest that he has made the improvement expected; but whereas twelve months ago other events appeared to interest Basil Jarvis more, and this left the colt a little stale for Manchester, this time it seems that his main objective with Major Courtauld's five-year-old is Saturday's event. There are so many in the race that are no doubt feeling the effects of a very active autumn that, with the knowledge that Saracen has never been in better trim, this horse's chance is presented in a favourable light.

Twelve months ago Mr. J. D. Robertson's Promptitude won the event, a performance he may very easily repeat after the good show he put up on Friday in the Derby Cup. A record number of starters is expected, including many that will be hopelessly outclassed alongside of Le Voleur, Empire Builder, and other first-class stock. The Aga Khan's colt will, I think, do better over the Manchester twelve furlongs than the longer journey he attempted last Friday. Empire Builder is the right stamp for the race, being more handy than such as Richborough, who is quite likely to get into difficulties at the bottom turn. When the Stockbridge colt's earlier form is taken into consideration, it is quite easy to make out a good case for him.

In addition to Promptitude's running, the performance Le Voleur gave on Friday suggests that he also must give a good account of himself if allowed to take his chance. But the pick of them all appears to be Saracen.

A STAGGERING RESULT.

The success of Notice Board, who beat Promptitude for Derby's Cup, was a very staggering result, for few gave a second thought to Col. Fitzgerald's lightly weighted gelding. Baytown, who has probably run his last race, was, I thought, a shade unlucky, for it was well in the straight, little more than a furlong from the judge, that an opening was presented to Carslake, and his challenge was too late to be effective. Servus ran his usual honest sort of race, and finished strongly, while Stockcross dropped away at the bottom turn.

The Manchester course will, I think, suit Mr. Sutton's colt better, and two others likely to appreciate the shorter distance are Truncheon and Glorious Devon, for they both ran well. It seems that Saracen is faced with a stiff task to repeat his triumph of two years ago, but I think he will pull through.

The best of the two-year-old events this week is the Lancashire Nursery, for there are many nice class youngsters engaged, even if they fall well short of being in the group with the best. The top weight, Alexis, has put up a series of winning performances that reveal him a cut above the standard of youngsters that find their way into these events, and although there are many near the foot of this handicap that have run creditably, Itsagift and Grindleton are a couple that have done well, the fact remains that more often than not a good youngster will nine times out of ten give the weight away. At the same time, as we think of Mr. Austen's gelding, it is automatic to ponder over Abbots Worthy's chance, and also that of Buland Bibi, both of whom have shown much promise. But my impression is that Alexis will win this thousand pound event.

There will be the usual wind-up in the South at Lingfield Park, and so easily did the Manton four-year-old, Gay Guy, win at Leicester last week, that there appears to be nothing to prevent him from also carrying off the Finale Handicap. Pard is another with a chance, but as there is no reason to doubt Gay Guy's stamina lasting out, it seems idle to oppose him.

I append a few fancies.

WARWICK.—Monday.
Bourton (S.) Plate.—BROYTOI.
Kenilworth Plate.—ORPENDA
Leycester Nursery.—CARTOUCHE.
Offchurch Handicap.—STICK OUT.

WARWICK.—Tuesday.
Daventry Plate.—ISFANDIAR.
Coventry Handicap.—PAULI.
Banbury Handicap.—PENTILLA.

WARWICK.—Wednesday.
Edgehill Nursery.—BROYTOI.
Wroxton Handicap.—NORMAN BARON.

MANCHESTER.—Thursday.
Woodland Nursery.—MICKEY MOUSE.
Delamere Handicap.—BOSS OF THE SHOW.
Rothschild Plate.—LE PHARE.

MANCHESTER.—Friday.
Ordsall Nursery.—ORANGELLE.
Flying Handicap.—PHONEMETER.
Lancashire Nursery.—ALEXIS.
Ellesmere Handicap.—KNIGHT OF THE VALE.

MANCHESTER.—Saturday.
Beresford Plate.—ORBINDOS.
November Handicap.—SARACEN.

LINGFIELD PARK.—Saturday.
Finale Handicap.—GAY GUY.
November Nursery.—ROYAL SAILOR.

Yesterday's Racing.

MODERATE DAY'S SPORT.

TURTLE SOUP WINS IN A CANTER.

TREWS FAILS AGAIN.

From OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT.

HURST PARK, Saturday.

There was a disappointing race for the Great Two-Year-Old Stakes, the odds laid on Turtle Soup being easily landed. Trinidad and Praetor made the pace, which, however, only amounted to a canter. At the end of half a mile Clogheen came through, but Turtle Soup was on a tight rein, and the moment she was asked to win her race she soon overhauled the opposition to win with ease.

Cleveland has been a source of disappointment to his owner, Lady Butt, and he again failed in the Sheen Plate. Golden Cloud was the pacemaker from Grizzly and Land o' Burns until a furlong from home, when Plucky Bill came and joined issue in the last hundred yards. Plucky Bill hampered Grizzly, and Golden Cloud, running on, won by a bare margin. Cleveland had a rough passage, and when he did obtain a clear run he had no chance of overtaking the leaders.

Gordon Richards led off by winning the Petersham Selling Plate on Dundrave. Adlon made the running until reaching the straight, when he was headed by Lemonetta and Dundrave. It was at the distance that the latter took the lead, and he had to be ridden right out to gain the verdict. Mr. J. Reardon bought the winner for 260 guineas. Details:—

1.15.—PETERSHAM (S.) PTE. (£200) (3-Y.-O.) (1¼m.).
Dundrave (Maj. Dixon), br c by Thunderer—Girl Joan, 9st ....(G. Richards) 1
Lemonetta (Lady Ludlow), gr f by Lemonora—Barrulet, 8st-11 ....(Dick) 2
Prargent (Mrs. Cornelius), b f by Silvern—Praline, 8st-11 ....(Sirett) 3
Also ran: Boardwalk, Adlon, Lesteford, Spanish Admiral, Sea Hussar, Megeen. (Winner trained by S. Darling.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—7 to 2 agst DUNDRAVE, Boardwalk, 4 to 1 Lemonetta, 5 to 1 Sea Hussar, 8 to 1 Lesteford, 10 to 1 Adlon, 20 to 1 others. ½l., 2l.
Tote (2s. stake).—Win, 8s. 3d.; places, 3s. 6d., 3s. 3d., 7s. 3d.; win pool, 11,510; place pool, 9,759.

1.45.—MITRE (S.) PLATE (£200) (2-Y.O.) (5f.).
Venturer (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen), b c by Prince Galahad—V.A.D. 9st. ... (H. Wragg) 1
No Other (Mr. Cribbin), b g by Somme Kiss—Youyou, 8st-11 ....(Jones) 2
Sun Glory (Mr. Robson), gr f by Golden Sun—Toinette, 8st-11 .... (G. Richards) 3
Also ran: Trespador, Lion d'Angers, Young Ben, Neat Knees, Flying Friar, Tullymore gelding, Noble Artist, Campaigner, Clare House filly, Mamamouchi, Spearwood, Torricelli, Buzz On filly, Bay Bess, De Props. (Winner trained by Bell.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—3 to 1 agst VENTURER, 100 to 30 Tullymore gelding, 6 to 1 Sun Glory, Flying Friar, 7 to 1 Lion d'Angers, 8 to 1 Young Ben, 10 to 1 Neat Knees, 100 to 6 No Other, 20 to 1 Noble Artist, 33 to 1 others. Neck, head.
Tote.—Win, 9s. 6d.; places, 4s., 8s. 3d., 5s. 9d.; win pool, 14,942; place pool, 10,379.

2.15.—SHEEN PLATE (£200) (7f.).
Golden Cloud (Mr. Cuddy), gr g by Milesius—Fariat, 4yrs, 9st-3 ...... (Wing) 1
Plucky Bill (Mrs. Cornelius), bl g by Mt. William—Irish Heroine, 3yrs, 8st-3 (H. Wragg) 2
Grizzly (Mr. Gant), b f by Teddy—Silver Hue, 4yrs, 7st-7 ....(Smith) 3
Also ran: Hindustan, Dame Swynford, Cleveland, Skiff, Lemurian, Land o' Burns, Gafadoun, Tremendous, Peertoi, Lacock, Bachelor's Castle, Valiant. (Winner trained by Kelly.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—3 to 1 agst Cleveland, 6 to 1 Plucky Bill, 7 to 1 Bachelor's Castle, 8 to 1 Tremendous, 10 to 1 Hindustan, Grizzy, 100 to 8 Dame Swynford, 100 to 7 GOLDEN CLOUD, Skiff, 100 to 6 Lacock, 20 to 1 Valiant, 33 to 1 others. Head, short head.
Tote.—Win, 35s. 6d.; places, 11s. 3d., 8s. 3d., 8s.; win pool, 15,518; place pool, 11,910.

2.45.—HURST PARK GT. 2-Y.-O. STAKES (£1,000) (6f.).
Turtle Soup (H.H. Aga Khan), gr f by Tetratema—Eagle Snipe, 8st-9 ......(Beary) 1
Clogheen (Col. Charteris), b c by Tetratema—Laverock, 8st-12 ....(Childs) 2
Trinidad (Sir A. Bailey), br c by Phalaris—Love-oil, 8st-12 ....(Perryman) 3
Also ran: Praetor. (Winner trained by Dawson.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—7 to 4 on TURTLE SOUP, 11 to 4 agst Clogheen, 10 to 1 Trinidad, 20 to 1 Praetor. 1½l., ¾l.
Tote.—Win, 2s. 9d.; pool 16,194.

3.15.—AUTUMN PLATE (£400) (1m. 7f.).
Chelmarsh (Mr. Buston), br c by Forerunner—Amadina, 3yrs, 7st-6 ....(Baines) 1
Feu d'Artifice (Mr. Darling), br g by Flamboyant—Joy Light, 4yrs, 7st-10 (S. Wragg) 2
Prospice (Mr. S. Wootton), b g by Zria—Pile, 9yrs, 8st-8 ....(Caldwell) 3
Also ran: Gay Amour, Coligny, Roi des Aulnes, Dusty, Gladius, Latchford, Roi de Legende, Spartan. (Winner trained by C. Waugh.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—11 to 4 agst Coligny, 7 to 2 Latchford, 4 to 1 Dusty, 8 to 1 Gladius, 10 to 1 CHELMARSH, Gay Amour, 100 to 8 Roi de Legende, Spartan, 100 to 6 others. 1½l., head.
Tote.—Win, 50s. 6d.; places, 13s. 3d., 11s. 9d., 10s.; win pool, 20,311; place pool, 15,388.

3.45.—SYON PLATE (£200) (3-Y.-O.) (1m.).
Dancing Partner (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen), ch f by Bachelor's Double—Violet Hopson, 8st.-11 ....(H. Wragg) 1
Lemon Ice (Mr. Brendon), ch f by Lemonora—Icilma, 8st.-11 ...... (S. Wragg) 2
Trews (Ld. Astor), b c by Buchan—Long Suit, 9st. ....(Dick) 3
Also ran: Lady Cross, The Great Pyramid, Sir Solomon, Lodger, Patata. (Winner trained by Bell.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—6 to 4 on Trews, 4 to 1 agst DANCING PARTNER, 8 to 1 Lady Cross, 100 to 6 Sir Solomon, 33 to 1 others. 1½l., 3l.
Tote.—Win, 11s.; places, 2s. 9d., 5s. 6d., 2s. 6d.; win pool, 14,523; place pool, 11,586.
Total Investments.—Win. £9,299 16s.; places, £5,902 4s.

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CHEPSTOW SURPRISES.

THREE WINNERS FOR STOTT.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CHEPSTOW, Saturday.

The meeting concluded here this afternoon with a good programme, the feature of which was the Chepstow Handicap Steeplechase. This event was won by Lord Allendale with Heartburn. Mr. Gordon Selfridge's Ruddyman was second, and Swift News third. The winner passed the post six lengths in front, and Swift News finished a similar distance behind Ruddyman.

Two horses started for the opening event, but only one finished. This was the favourite, Southern Gun. An outsider in Coole surprised nearly everybody by beating the favourite, Saighton, for the Clearwell Hurdle by two lengths. Morgan rode a good race on the winner.

Stott rode his second winner of the afternoon when Vivacious ran away with the Forest of Dean Hurdle. The verdict was twelve lengths. Tidenham gave Stott his third victory by winning the Monmouth Moderate Hurdle from Zero Hour and Battalion. Details:—

1.0.—CASTLEFORD CHASE (£80) (2m.).
Southern Gun (Mr. Peek), b g by Southannan—Mrs. Partington, 6yrs., 10st-7 (Stott) 1
Also ran: Ben Bawn. (Winner trained by Hurt.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—6 to 4 on SOUTHERN GUN. Only one finished.
Tote (2s. stake).—Win 3s. 9d.; win pool, 832

1.30.—CLEARWELL (S.) HURDLE (£80) (2m.).
Coole (Mr. Lester), b f by Desman—Brown Squaw, 5 yrs. 10st-7 ....(Morgan) 1
Saighton (Mr. Horton), br g by Grosvenor—Beck and Call, 7yrs., 11st-2 ...... (Pellerin) 2
Dream o' Fortune (Mr. Montague), b g by Southannan—Dame Fortune, 5yrs., 10st-7 (Williams) 3
Also ran: Summer Night, Young Sport, Essandar, Tuscan Idolatry, Horace. (Winner trained by J. Scott.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—7 to 4 agst Saighton, 6 to 1 Essandar, Dream o' Fortune, COOLE, 10 to 1 Tuscan, 100 to 6 others. 2l., same.
Tote.—Win 19s.; places 4s. 9d., 2s. 6d., 4s. 9d.; win pool, 1,740; place pool, 1,361.

2.0.—FOREST OF DEAN (S.) HDLE. (£80) (3-Y.-O.) (1½m.).
Vivacious (Mr. Poole), br g by Viviani—Compensation, 10st-12 ....(Stott) 1
Annie Yutoi (Mr. Adami), ch f by Yutoi—Lady Esmond, 10st-12 ....(Ingham) 2
Rosariel (Sir H. Wernher), 10st-12 ....(Clark) 3
Also ran: Haki Bey, Knockaway, Potters Bar, Plague, Santa Giustina, Toimate. (Winner trained by S. Bennet.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—5 to 2 agst Plague, 3 to 1 VIVACIOUS, 4 to 1 Knockaway, 6 to 1 Haki Bey, 10 to 1 Santa Giustana, Rosariel, 100 to 7 others 12l. 3l.
Tote.—Win. 11s. 3d.; places, 3s. 9d., 12s. 9d., 15s. 6d.; win pool, 1,885; place pool, 1,395.

2.30.—CHEPSTOW H'CAP CHASE (£100) (3m.).
Heartburn (Ld. Allendale), b g by Tredennis—Ingenue, 8yrs., 11st-4 ....(Hamey) 1
Ruddyman (Mr. Selfridge), b g by Ruddygore, dam by Hermit II.—Countess Belgrave, 11yrs., 12st-7 ....(Brown) 2
Swift News (Mr. Dennis), br g by Desert Call—High Tune, 5yrs, 10st-12 ......(Stott) 3
Also ran: All Over. (Winner trained by Gordon).
"Sporting Chronicle."—5 to 4 agst Swift News, 6 to 4 HEARTBURN, 6 to 1 All Over, 10 to 1 Ruddyman. 6l, same.
Tote.—Win, 5s. 9d.; win pool, 1,717.

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MOTOR MATTERS

NEW REGULATIONS.

DUTIES OF MOTORISTS.

By GEORGE C. STEAD.

Gradually the various regulations under the new Road Traffic Act are being made, and matters have now advanced so far that the motorist knows the main rules with which he will have to conform. The dates on which the more important sections of the Act come into force have been announced, and it is possible to indicate what the owner and the driver must do.

From December 1 every applicant for a driving licence will have to fill in a special form of application, the most important section of which deals with physical fitness. The applicant will be asked, "Do you suffer from epilepsy or sudden attacks of disabling giddiness or faintness?" If the answer is in the affirmative, no licence will be issued. Secondly, the applicant will have to state whether he is able to read at a distance of twenty-five yards in good daylight (with glasses, if worn) a motor-car number plate containing six letters and figures. If the answer is in the negative, no licence will be issued. The third question refers to physical disability, such as the loss of a hand or foot. Any disabled driver who can prove that he has driven for the last six months before application without danger will be granted a licence, but in the case of a new applicant he will have to apply for a driving test. All new licences for driving must be signed by the holders as evidence of identification.

Holders of licences which have not expired by November 29 will retain them until the date of expiry, when application must be made for one of the new licences. There are, however, new regulations concerning current licences in respect of the new age limits. No one under the age of 16 years will be allowed to ride a motor-cycle after November 30 unless he can satisfy the licensing authority that he was in the habit of riding a motor-cycle for six months before January 1, 1930. He must then surrender his old licence on December 1 and receive one of the new ones. Similar regulations apply to the drivers of heavy vehicles under 21

THIRD PARTY INSURANCE.

The section of the Act making compulsory insurance against third party claims comes into force on January 1. The final regulations will be ready next month, and it will be the duty of every motorist to conform with them as quickly as possible.

Every applicant for a revenue or car licence on or after that date must produce a certificate of insurance, or the alternatives which are provided for, otherwise the car licence will not be issued. There is some misconception on this point; thus I would stress the fact that the insurance goes with the car and not with the driver. The certificate of insurance must always be carried on the insured car when it is in use, and must be produced on demand. The onus of insuring thus lies on the owner of the car, and has nothing to do with the driver.

Progress is being made with the Highway Code, and it is hoped that this will soon be available.

MOTOR POLICE PATROLS.

The speed limit for light motor vehicles will be abolished on January 1, when the revised limits for heavy vehicles will also come into force. This date will enable the authorities to organise a system of mobile police units for the enforcement of the Act. One thousand vehicles are being secured, two-thirds of which will be motor-cycles. Specially trained officers will be mounted on these machines. The Minister is anxious that these patrols shall be not merely a body of men engaged in catching and prosecuting motorists, but that they shall give help and advice where needed in order that a high code of road conduct shall be established.

Motoring in the early part of the New Year will be interesting. The motorist will be carrying his new driving licence and his insurance certificate, he can drive as fast as is safe, and he will have the novel experience of keeping an eye lifted for a fast car or motor-cycle driven by a uniformed officer and with the word "Police" over the number plate!

THE VETERAN CARS' RUN.

Next Sunday the London-Brighton road will be the centre of motoring interest. The occasion is the R.A.C. Emancipation Day run for veteran cars, and is to celebrate the thirty-fourth anniversary of Emancipation Day for motorists when the Act of 1896 came into force, which first permitted motor-cars to run upon the highway without being preceded by a man with a red flag.

The most juvenile cars in the run are a mere twenty-six years old, while the oldest was built as long ago as 1894. A total of fifty-seven entries has been received. This run serves to demonstrate the progress which has been made in design and performance in a comparatively short time And yet it is interesting to note how little the general principles have changed. We still have the four-stroke engine, carriage-type springs, and shaft drive. Apart from the new pre-selective gears, as on the Armstrong-Siddeley and the Daimler, and the fluid clutch on the latter, the motor-car of 1930 is in principle identical with these veterans.

It is also interesting to remember that the Emancipation Act which this run will commemorate is only coming to an end at the close of this year. Cars to-day are running under exactly the same regulations which were made for these ancestors of the industry in 1896. The Act was supposed to remain in force for only three years, but it has been kept alive from year to year, until at long last we have the more modern production of the Road Traffic Act.

FROST PRECAUTIONS.

The A.A. makes the following suggestions for preventing damage to motors during periods of frost:—

When the car is out of use drain the radiator, the cylinder jackets, and pump casing. It is not enough on many cars to drain the radiators only.

In the absence of sufficient heating of the garage, an electric or other heating-apparatus of sufficient power should be employed. Where these are placed under the bonnet, the latter and the radiator should be covered with a rug. A muff is also helpful and prevents waste of heat.

With a car in daily use, introduce into the water circulating systems one of the various compounds available for lowering the freezing point.

Light Lamps (London): 4.41 p.m.

Continued from preceding column.

3.0.—MONMOUTH HURDLE (£80) (2m.).
Tidenham (Mrs Anderson), b g by Sir Berkeley—Long Trail 5yrs, 11st......(Stott) 1
Zero Hour (Mr. Merrell), br g by Soulouque—Allies Offensive, 5yrs, 10st (Foster) 2
Battalion (Mr Allan), b g by Battle Axe—Kroon Lady, 6yrs, 10st-5 ....(Piggott) 3
Also ran: Harpooner, Taradiddle, Pebble Bridge, Toujours, Passing Cloud, King Carroll, Copybook, Bugle Call Eel Point. (Winner trained by Newey.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—5 to 2 agst King Carroll, 4 to 1 Eel Point, 5 to 1 Harpooner, Battalion, 6 to 1 TIDENHAM, 7 to 1 Taradiddle, 100 to 7 others. ¾l., 2l.
Tote.—Wi 28s. 9d.; places, 7s. 6d., 23s. 6d., 6s. 6d.; win pool 2,614, place pool, 1,771.

3.30.—GLANELY AMATEURS' H'CAP CHASE (£80) (2m.).
Peter Murray (Mr. Priday), ch g by Brehon—Lucretia, 9yrs, 10st-10 (Mr. Whitfield) 1
Crockanoir (Mr. Henderson), b g by Goldcourt — Cruickereen, 8yrs, 10st-10 (Mr. Thackray) 2
Attempt (Mr. Williams), ch g by Allalus—Drogheda, 9yrs, 10st-12 ....(Mr. Wood) 3
Also ran: Glen Andred, Fine Yarn, Breconian, Golden Buckles. (Winner trained by Owner.)
"Sporting Chronicle."—7 to 4 agst Glen Andred, 4 to 1 PETER MURRAY, 5 to 1 Breconian, Crockanoir, 7 to 1 Attempt, 10 to 1 Fine Yarn, 33 to 1 Golden Buckles. 6l, bad.
Tote.—Win, 9s. 3d.; places, 5s. 6d., 15s.; win pool, 1,704; place pool, 1,150.
Total Investments. — Win, £1,049; places, £567 14s.

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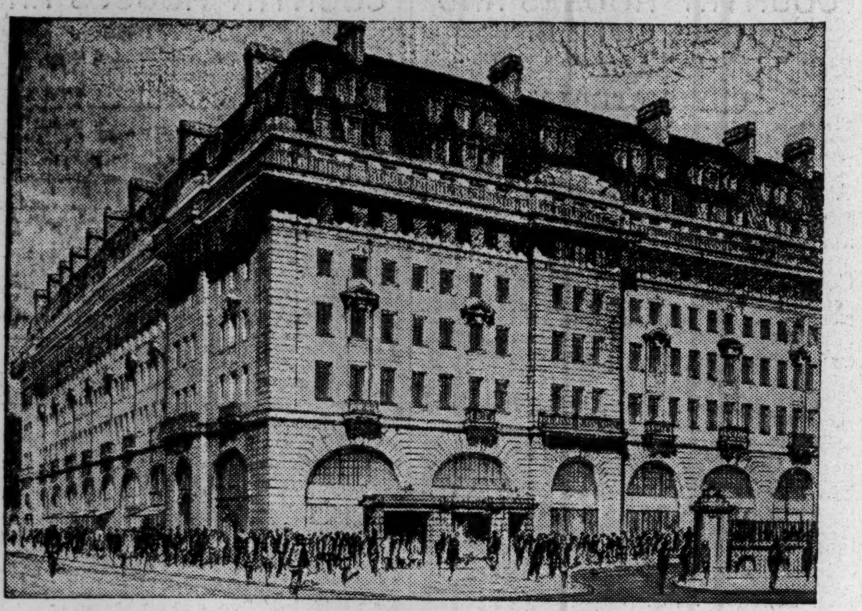

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